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Jimmy Fry and neighbor Stacie Vinson, both of Kempsville, catch some rays and relax in the sand during the East Coast Surfing Championship last weekend.   
 Photos by M.J. Knoblock

## Surf's up, dude! But waves weren't the only action here

Fun on the beach was also an attraction at weekend competition

By M.J. KNOBLOCK  
Sun Correspondent

Luck and patience were the key factors at the 32nd Annual East Coast Surfing Championships last weekend as surfers vied for a \$20,000 purse.

The event, the ninth stop on the Budweiser Surfing Tour, boasted a large crowd but small waves at the Fifth Street Beach.

"The surf is holding, somewhat," said Wes Laine, an oceanfront resident who came in second place last year and won the event the year before. "It's still contestable. I guess (the waves) are better than we thought they'd be today."

Going into the quarterfinals, Laine and Jason Borte were the only locals remaining in a field of surfers from all over the world, including

Australia, South Africa, California and Hawaii.

Although Laine only competes in about six or eight events per year, most of the Bud Tour surfers are participating in all 12 events, where a point system regulates the amount of money won at the end of the tour.

Virginia Beach is the only stop on the East Coast. Other tour cities include Makahana and Ala Moana, Hawaii, and several beaches in California.

"This year there are a lot more guys from Australia and South Africa," said Laine, while he awaited his next heat. "I think it's more competitive this year. I think a lot more people are going for the points. Before, a lot of people skipped Virginia Beach, but now



Noah Budroe of Hawaii hits the beach after competing in the East Coast Surfing Championship.

more people are going for the points — and the money." Rick Langlands, Amateur Surfing Event chairman, said that both professionals and amateur surfers are drawn to ECSC, despite the small waves.

"Points are valuable," he explained. "You can come here and get a small wave and get the points. A lot of people might not come, but they want the points."

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James McDonald, Budweiser Surfing Tour site director

So why then is Virginia Beach an attractive spot for the Budweiser Surfing Tour?

"When there's this many people on the beach, you want to bring your event here, even though the waves aren't the best," said James McDonald, site director for the tour. "It's a great stretch of beach, with miles and miles of sand and people."

The event also gives spectators a

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The waves weren't great, but that didn't prevent fans from spreading out their blankets and watching the surfing competitors at the East Coast Surfing Championship.

## Pageant preparation is a breeze for this Miss America contest

Cullen Johnson is one collected woman as she readies for Atlantic City

By VICTORIA EDWARDS  
Sun Editor

For somebody about to take the stage at the Miss America pageant, it doesn't seem right for Cullen Johnson to be so remarkably relaxed.

Yet that's just what this Miss Virginia is — calm, cool and collected.

"No, I'm not nervous. This (Miss Virginia) was my fourth time competing, and for the first time in all my experiences that I wasn't nervous. I just feel that it's because I was so prepared," the 23-year-old Virginia Beach woman confided.

Budgeting her time between her parents' house and Roanoke, where Miss Virginia headquarters are located, Johnson has learned organization is the key to being this state's Miss America representative. But unlike many young women seeking the revered national title, she wasn't raised on the pageant circuit.

"I did the Miss Cox High School pageant in 1988. I sort of did that for fun, after that when I went to Longwood College, I had no idea how to get involved in the Miss America system. But I learned and here I am!"

Growing up a "military brat," Johnson has moved 23 times in as many years, and her parents are now preparing for their 24th! But for Johnson, Virginia Beach will always be considered home.

"I lived in Virginia Beach from first through seventh grade; that's the longest time we were in one place. And then obviously in high school," she explained.

When she graces the stage in Atlantic City, N.J. Sept. 17 for the United States' largest scholarship pageant, Johnson is sure to have plenty of her hometown friends pulling for her.

"My friends are so funny," she laughed. "They're all, like, 'You are the most atypical pageant per-



Photo by Victoria Edwards

The new Miss Virginia, Cullen Johnson of Virginia Beach, is facing the future with a smile. When she competes in the Miss America pageant Sept. 17, her confidence is sure to set her apart from the rest.

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Cullen Johnson  
Miss Virginia

son we've ever seen." Even during pageant week I'll walk through the lobby in my running clothes, whereas everyone has this image of being perfect to project. But I want people to know I'm just like everyone else."

Avid pageant watchers have heard tales of contestants packing five, six or more suitcases to take to Miss America. But typical of Johnson's laid-back attitude, she plans to take only the essentials.

"I tell people, 'Look, I'm taking one suitcase and a carry-on.' . . . pack light!" she smiled.

What she will be taking to the pageant, however, is loads of talent.

"I'll be performing Beethoven's 'Pathetique' sonata. I've been tak-

ing piano 15 years. I try to practice at least an hour a day, but it's hard since I'm on the road so much. But when I do practice, I sit down and really concentrate."

Preparing for the talent portion of Miss America is just one aspect of Johnson's training. Few people realize just how trying readying for this type of competition can be. Since becoming Miss Virginia, Johnson's personal life has become practically non-existent. Time with her family and finance is especially rare.

"It's really hard. But the way I have to look at it is this is my time to prepare for Miss America and everything else has to be put on hold. I know things will calm down after Miss America, unless I win . . . then I'll practically have to wait until next year to see them," she said.

Although her obvious goal is to win the Miss America title, Johnson was quick to add she is

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## Special Olympians compete for medals, but also much more

Police Athletic League reaches out to youths

By SASHA TOMEY  
Sun Correspondent

As the 100 athletes streamed into the Great Neck Middle School stadium, they were as proud of their Police Athletic League (PAL) T-shirts as any group of adult Olympians. Some of them stretched and did basic warm-up exercises; others waved to the police officers they had gotten to know as their friends.

The children from the Virginia Beach Police Department's 4th Precinct PAL programs participated in eight Olympic events Saturday. "I practiced at home for a month," explained 8-year-old Ashley Wilson, predicting she would excel in the 50-meter dash. "That's the event I like best."

Wilson was not disappointed when she made an impressive finish in third place. First place winner Tamika Williams, 7, announced, "I might go to the big Olympics when I grow up."

PAL President Donald Denault beamed as he watched the children interact with police and community volunteers.

"This is a chance for children to see the police officers as something other than someone to be afraid of," Denault said. "It's a chance for the police officers to express community responsibility as well."

Denault explained that many people believe that the Police Athletic League is financially supported by the city.

"People don't realize it's a volun-

teer program," he said. "It is a non-profit organization. We are grateful for our sponsors. And, of course, we are always looking for volunteers."

The commanding officer of the USS Kearsarge (LHD-3) became

aware of the need for help with the Olympic games and suggested that some members of his crew might like to volunteer.

Ensign Erwin Williams arrived at

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Photo by Sasha Tomey

Giving it their all, these participants in the Virginia Beach Police Athletic League's 50-meter dash were all winners Saturday, even though only one of the youths took home the gold medal.

# Commentary

## Use your head, drive smart

One of the easiest reminders that it's time for Hampton Roads children to return to school is those big, yellow school buses lumbering down the city streets to collect their precious cargo. The schools, police and military have joined forces to remind drivers to think smart when hitting the roads during early morning hours and afternoons. For that reason the American Automobile Association (AAA) reminds motorists of its annual "School's Open - Drive Carefully" campaign.

There is an increased exposure of children to traffic as they walk to and from school or their bus stops. Younger students are particularly excitable and their behavior is often unpredictable. Many youngsters lack traffic experience. The AAA urges drivers to remember these tips as the new school year gets under way:

- Slow down around schools and in residential areas in the morning and afternoon.
- Always watch for children.
- Look for clues that warn of children in the area, such as safety patrols, adult crossing guards, buses and bicycles.
- Obey the school bus stop laws.
- Practice extra caution in bad weather, or when the sun on the horizon obscures your vision.
- Clear fogged windows before starting to drive in the morning.
- Obey all traffic signs and symbols.
- Be alert for late students running to catch the school bus.
- Practice extra caution around school sites where students, parents, teachers and buses all converge.

Remember, one young life lost to a needless traffic accident is one too many. — V.L.E.

## Cuppa, cuppa coffee

Last year I was addressing a group of second graders. A beautiful blonde child informed me that reporters never sleep.

"They drink tons and tons of coffee because they stay up all night writing," she said.

I suspect her view came from television or the movies where the writers work in smoke-filled rooms, with coffee cups lined up across their desks. Every day is full of crisis and adventure while we rush to break that all-important

### A Different Perspective

By Sasha Tomez, columnist

story, or pull on our Superman suits so we can save somebody.

The only accurate aspect of the picture might be the part about the coffee.

In our office some of the employees circle the Mr. Coffee like vultures while it's brewing that pot of java. Even at home, where I do most of my work, my husband and I have been known to snarl at each other until we've gotten through our first cup of joe.

I was pulling laundry from the washer one morning when I overheard something about a freeze in Brazil that might affect coffee bean prices. I made a mental note to stock up when I went to the market.

When I got to the coffee section of my local food store the coffee I'd been paying \$3.99 for had suddenly soared to \$7.49. Two weeks later it was up to \$10 a can.

I groused about it to my friends. Many of them were unsympathetic because they are morning Pepsi drinkers. How can anybody face an ice cold Pepsi at 7 a.m.? I groused about the rising coffee prices via computer and learned that in addition to two freezes in Brazil, the coffee beans that were stored weren't any good so the price may continue to go up, up.

up. It sounded very bad.

Then a keypal sent me a note about how he'd heard an advertisement from an investment firm stating that people should invest in coffee right now because they could make thousands of dollars if coffee prices go up just 20 cents.

Are you as suspicious as I am? Brazil is not the only country in the world to grow and supply coffee beans. If Brazilian crops have been hit hard that's terrible for them, but couldn't we get our coffee from Kenya? I haven't heard about any sudden freezing of coffee beans in Africa have you? How about Kona coffee? Granted, it's probably not as plentiful as Brazilian coffee, but it's delicious and I think a lot of us could become accustomed to that smooth Kona taste.

"You'll probably be trying to grow your own," one of my friends suggested after she'd heard my complaints and my theories.

That might not be such a bad idea. The other day I dropped in on one of our advertising representatives who was stashing a couple of cans of the stuff.

"I found them on sale at the old price," she bragged.

I went to a wedding and the bar did a reasonable business, but the coffee machine was nearly always in demand.

"Forget the champagne," my husband said. "They're serving coffee here."

That cup of mud we used to take for granted has suddenly earned a prestigious place beside rare and expensive truffles and caviar.

I don't want to make any predictions about how this may affect journalism. If the second grader is right, we're all in deep trouble. Cut off the flow of coffee and maybe some reporters will stick to giving you concise reports about what you're really interested in and stop chasing some stories into the ground, or ignoring community news in favor of national gossip.

But don't count on it. Some of those reporters may have Canadian roots like me. Coffee prices have soared, but I'm still getting my daily "fix." I've returned to drinking tea.



## Letters to the editor

### 'Silent victims of our excesses' can't help themselves

Editor:

"In Celebration and Remembrance" was the theme for this year's National Homeless Animals' Day, an event that took place at Mount Trashmore commemorating all of the innocent animals that were put to death in shelters across the country. Several animal shelters and animal advocates participated in the festival, which was sponsored by Tidewater Humane, Inc. The curriculum included face painting, puppets, animal demonstrations, music and other outdoor entertainment, culminating in the vigil held in honor of the silent victims of our excesses. A speech written by David A. Philpott, a member of the Animal Assistance League, captured the emotion and intensity of the evening:

"Roscoe was an 8-month-old Lab mix. Although he was still a puppy, Roscoe had many allergies and was subsequently placed on a few medications. He was a beautiful, friendly dog who would stare with large, brown eyes at everyone coming to visit. Roscoe was a ball of energy, and he would often jump up and wag his tail happily when visitors came. But, because Roscoe was on medication, people would smile at him, maybe talk to him a little, and then move on."

"Roscoe stayed at our kennel for a right good while but his energy never faltered. He kept his enthusiasm and love for people — all the way up to the day we euthanized him."

"Roscoe was destroyed, not because he was a behavioral problem, and not because he was old or sickly. He was killed simply because nobody wanted him. He wasn't perfect."

"Our shelter is full of imperfect animals. Some are mixed breeds, some are older, and some are under-

standably a little shy or nervous. But all share a common trait: they need attention and love.

"No animal should have to suffer Roscoe's fate. Sheltered animals never asked to be sheltered. They are at our mercy and depend on us for love and care. Please keep this in mind the next time you visit a shelter."

Janis J. Dryer  
President  
Animal Assistance League  
Chesapeake

### Kudos for the coverage

Editor:

Teddy Riley's Fourth of July Weekend Extraganza has come and gone. It was a monumental task, but in the end we accomplished what we set out to do.

The events that took place gave the kids of Hampton Roads something positive and constructive to do, the entire community, had the opportunity to attend exciting celebrity-studded events, new musical talent was discovered and, in the end, Teddy's Youth Foundation got a good running start from profits made.

We could not have accomplished so much without your support and coverage of the weekend by your reporters Penny Powell and M.J. Knoblock. Thank you for believing in our mission to help the young people of our community.

Wanda R. Croudy  
Director of Public Relations  
LOR Entertainment Group

## Moving: the ultimate adventure

What is it about moving that makes "stuff" multiply? Perhaps one can help me answer that question, because it sure has me beat.

These last two weeks have been a trial in terror.

If you'll recall last week, I wrote about my mom selling the house our family has lived in nearly 60 years.

Funny, we never realized exactly how much a 10-room Colonial can hold until it starts accumulating in the moving

van — and a very large one at that!

When I first mentioned to my boss that my mother was selling the house, he gave me a few pointers (being that he'd recently moved himself). For starters, he suggested, begin packing early.

"Pare it down to the bare essentials," I remember him saying. "It's tough, but you'll get used to it. We packed all the dishes and lived off four plates and eight glasses for a long time. You have to keep washing them, but you'll be glad you packed the kitchen up early."

When I passed that suggestion on to Mom, she scoffed.

"No way," she admonished. "I'm worrying about that last. Sure enough, she was true to her word. As I write this, she is back at the old house packing up the kitchen. Yes, the rest of the house is bare-bones empty. Void. Vacant. But not the kitchen. We've been living in the new house two days now, but are making down two plates, two bowls, three cups and a frying pan.

Hey, maybe Mom did take my boss' advice, just in reverse! He also advised us to pack everything up by room. The boxes go in the back rooms of the new house would be

carried in first. The movers would work their way toward the front of the house.

Yes, it sounded like good advice, but not to the movers Mom contracted.

"We've got our own system, ma'am," they said, lifting the living room couch, then a box of dishes into the truck.

Now, aren't Mom and I lucky? At the new house, there are boxes of record albums in the dining room and clothes on the sun porch. Additionally, much of the stuff in mine and Evan's new home belongs to Mom (the movers made a stop at our bungalow first). No wonder she keeps asking me, "Where's that real delicate glass lamp?" I'll tell you where it is; it's sitting in the master bathroom! Go figure that one out.

As I write this on the computer at my new house, I am surrounded by boxes, boxes and more boxes.

But back to the original question about stuff multiplying. Let me give you a perfect example of what I mean. Seven years ago when I went off to college, everything I took easily fit in the back of a mini-van; a wicker trunk, two suitcases, a chair, a television, and two small milk crates filled with some groceries and toiletries.

But at the end of that year, there was no way I could have crammed my belongings into the same mini-van. Nope, it took a huge station wagon weighed down to the ground and with furniture tied on top (we

were even worried it would die from the weight on the way back from North Carolina) and another vehicle.

I truly believed in college that as I slept each night, my personal longings were conspiring against me, probably even mating. Two sweaters would soon become three sweaters. And books were the absolute worse. Two books stacked on top of each other soon became a pile threatening to take over my desk.

Such is the case with the recent move. Who knew that for one small box of Christmas ornaments I bought at the after-holidays sale last year there would be five other boxes lurking in the closet?

As I write this on the computer at my new house, I am surrounded by boxes, boxes and more boxes. They are nearly stacked ceiling-high. I am crunched up in one little corner hoping the mountain of cartons won't topple over on me. If they do, I only pray Evan will be able to extricate me before I am consumed by them.

Of course, considering all this, I have to ask myself a question: How much does one person need? Now that's a loaded question.

Sure, I got along at college OK for a while with the few belongings I took. Yet somehow along the way I must have needed more, or else I wouldn't have accumulated so much stuff. Right? I suspect folks who move always ponder that question.

For whatever it's worth, I do know one thing about moving: anyone who survives it deserves a medal. I now have a new respect for military families who have to pull up their roots regularly. They must have the patience of Job, but I know I don't. After this experience, I won't need a truck for my next move — because you needn't pack for Forest Lawn!

## Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters to the editor from readers who wish to reflect upon or take issue with other views. That's what this page is for, the sharing of opinions: yours, ours and those of our columnists and cartoonists.

Please share your thoughts with fellow readers by writing to Letters, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, Va. 23327.

The writer's name, address and telephone number must be included. We do not print unsigned letters. We reserve the right to edit. Thank you.

Everything old is new again, even crime, drugs

The vague feeling that things are bad is not partly due to the fact that certain things are indeed getting worse. Much of the despair really stems from the erroneous belief that many of our problems are new.

Crime is particularly thought of as a modern problem, yet authorities say crime was considered a major social question a hundred years ago.

One of the most popular current complaints is that the courts have tilted the justice system so far in favor of the defendants that no one is safe anymore.

That belief seems to apply more in California courts although it applies to many courts across the nation. Take for example the Rodney King case. When the police officers were tried for the beating only their records were used during the (two) trials. King with his long record of violations came off looking like a responsible, civic-minded citizen who had been picked on by the Los Angeles Police.

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The opposite is happening in the O.J. Simpson case. Everybody but the judge has been put on trial, and it seems as if O.J. is just a spectator.

Instant charges to be made against the judge anytime soon.

Fewer people seem to go to jail now than ever before. There is no question but that justice suffers because of plea bargaining. Many people who are arrested for serious crimes and who can afford a good lawyer get off scot-free.

Of all of today's problems, none seems more modern than drug abuse. Yet even drug abuse was widespread a hundred years ago but crimes committed by drug users then were not excused as they are today.

In today's courts criminals use influence under drugs as a defense and it has been known to help their cases in some instances.

It would be foolish to think that things will get better under Clinton's "Crime Bill."

Through much of our history the problem in America has been excessive and mindless optimism. Until attitudes change in this country it will remain so.

Welcome to the real world.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Paddle, bike your way to fitness at False Cape

False Cape State Park will offer an interpretive canoe program Sunday, Sept. 11 from 3 - 6 p.m. and Wednesday, Sept. 21 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Beginning and advanced canoeists will enjoy seeing, hearing and experiencing the park from a unique on-the-water perspective. The route will encompass the waters of southern Back Bay.

False Cape will provide all canoeing and safety equipment along with a guide to interpret the waterfowl, wildlife and history of the area. Sensory activities and short discussions will be included at scenic stops throughout the program.

Additionally, False Cape Peddlers is a guided bicycle tour of False Cape State Park led by a volunteer. This program will be held Saturday, Sept. 10.

Both experienced and novice bicyclists will enjoy a leisurely ride through Back Bay National Wildlife

Refuge and False Cape State Park. The peddlers will learn about the history, ecology and wildlife at False Cape.

Participants will need to bring their own bikes and other safety equipment. Sensory activities and short discussions will also be included with this program.

Space is limited, so participants must register ahead of time by calling the park office at 426-7128. For the canoe program the cost is \$5 per person, but no children under the age of 5 will be allowed.

The bicycle program will cost \$2. Visitors should bring drinks and snacks with them. Morning programs will include a lunch break.

Transportation into False Cape will be provided by the park bus, which will meet the participants at Little Island City Park 15 minutes prior to the start of the program until starting time.

## 'Swing into Sight' golf tourney slated

Players and sponsors are needed for the fifth annual "Swing for Sight" golf tournament to benefit Prevent Blindness Virginia Oct. 11 at Cypress Point Country Club.

The entry fee is \$400 per team and \$100 per individual player. This includes greens and cart fees, beverages and dinner. The captain's choice tournament will begin with registration at 10:30 a.m. and a shot gun start at 12:30 p.m.

Gold sponsors (\$500) receive a foursome entry, prominent listing in the tournament program

and on the sponsor board, as well as rights to hang banners/signs on a hole. Hole sponsors receive listing in tournament program and the sponsor board and rights to hang banners on their hole for \$200.

For more information, call Lonnie Longtin at 523-4050.

Prevent Blindness Virginia is the state's only non-profit health organization dedicated to saving sight through eye screenings, public and professional education, and eye safety activities such as Wise Owl Clubs for schools and industry.



## Jackpot!

Annie Overby of Virginia Beach visited Casino Magic in Bay St. Louis, Miss. recently and got the surprise of her life. She was playing the \$1 Triple Play slot machines and hit THE jackpot for a whopping \$10,000. Overby was quite excited, and could only exclaim, "Four times here . . . finally! That's the best \$100 I ever spent!"

## Lynnhaven AARP plans fun autumn getaways

The Lynnhaven Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (A.A.R.P.) is taking reservations for a motor coach trip to A.A.R.P. Day (Wednesday, Sept. 28) at the Virginia State Fair.

A special admission fee has been offered and is included in the fare of \$18 per person.

The day's activities will include performers by the Beach Tones, the Sentara Select Chorus and several other musical groups, plus the fair's exhibits, rides, craft and foods displays, livestock, clowns, the Heritage Village and Yesteryear Arcade.

For reservations, call Barbara Eamhardt at 496-3714.

The chapter is also taking reservations for a Nags Head day trip with lunch at Fisherman's Wharf and Christmas shopping at the Nags Head Outlet Mall and the Christmas Shop in Manteo. The cost is \$31 per person. Call Lila Graf at 461-5530 to reserve space on this trip set for Oct. 20.

The annual First Thanksgiving Re-enactment and Festival (Nov. 6) is also offered by the Lynnhaven A.A.R.P. The \$58-per-person fare includes admission to the festival, exhibits, craft displays and Virginia foods booths, as well as a Riverboat cruise on the "Annabel Lee" with a buffet dinner, music and entertainment. An addition trip to Berkeley Plantation on the James River, will cost \$53 per person. Reservations can also be made with Graf.

The Bayside Chapter A.A.R.P. is still taking reservations for its fall foliage trip along the northbound route of the Intercoastal Waterway Oct. 21. The trip includes a continental breakfast and lunch, with music and entertainment during the day. Call Ann Felix at 363-9138 for reservations no later than Sept. 15.

Senior citizens do not have to be an A.A.R.P. member to participate in these trips.

## Historic home presents open-hearth cooking

An open-hearth cooking demonstration will be held Saturday, Sept. 10 from noon - 3 p.m. at the Lynnhaven House.

Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students 6 to 18 and under 6 free. Lynnhaven House is open to the public noon - 4 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

With today's cooks in "modern" kitchens, they are usually limited to four burners and an oven, but not

so with the 18th century cooks. Visitors will also learn why fire was one of the leading causes of death for colonial women.

Lynnhaven House is located at 4405 Wishart Road, off Independence Boulevard/Haywood Rd. Intersection and near Haywood Shopping Center. For more information, contact administrator Shirley S. Bueche at 456-0351 or 460-1688.

## Hurricane disaster planning topic of horse seminar

The Virginia Beach Cooperative Extension, 4-H and the Tidewater Horse Council will sponsor a Hurricane Disaster Planning Seminar for horse owners and interested horse enthusiasts.

The seminar is scheduled for Thursday at Salem Middle School beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Don and Mary Lou Ward of the Florida Horse Council will give a 90-minute presentation to broaden hurricane awareness on how to best

plan for large animal survival, what horse owners can do to be better prepared for a hurricane, and post-storm rescue and containment management.

It is imperative that the segment of the population owning large animals have access to disaster preparedness information pertinent to their particular needs.

There is a nominal registration fee for participants. For pre-registration information, call the 4-H Office at 427-4769.

## Historical society invites prospective members to visit

How about joining? "God, Home and Country!" is the motto of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR).

The society, which operates both at the national and community levels, promotes the spiritual and patriotic ideals of the nation through ongoing programs in education, citizenship and conservation. The NSDAR will celebrate its 104th birthday Oct. 11.

If you can trace your roots back to an ancestor who served in the American Revolutionary War, you are invited to learn more about the

NSDAR and how to become a member by attending regular meetings.

The Lynnhaven Parish Chapter, NSDAR, will hold its first meeting of the season Saturday, Sept. 10 at 10 a.m. the historic Francis Land House, 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd.

The guest speaker will be chapter member Mrs. Rice M. Youell, who will talk about Constitution Week and show a video.

Members and guests planning to attend should telephone either Mrs. William Scullion at 340-7756 or Mrs. Michael Anderson at 422-3932.

## Councilwoman hosts second town meeting

Virginia Beach City Council member Louis Strayhorn (Kempville Borough) will host her second monthly town meeting at Kempville High School from 7 - 9 p.m. Sept. 27.

All Virginia Beach citizens are urged to attend to get information and/or voice their concerns.

## Beth Chaverim celebrates high holy holidays

Congregation Beth Chaverim, the reform Jewish Congregation of Virginia Beach will honor the high holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur Monday at 8 p.m. and Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. (Rosh Hashanah), and Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 8 p.m. and Thursday, Sept. 15 at 10:30 p.m. (Yom Kippur).

The Congregation Beth Chaverim Choir and Quartet will participate in these services. For more information, call 474-2772 or 497-0565.

## Dolphin Watch boat trips set

The Virginia Marine Science Museum is sponsoring Dolphin Watch boat trips in September to observe bottlenose dolphins that cruise up and down the Virginia Beach coast.

Trips will take place from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Fridays, Sept. 9, 16, 23 and 30, and Saturday, Oct. 1, and also Sundays, Sept. 11, 18, 25, and Oct. 2 and 9. Dolphin Watches leave from the Virginia Beach Fishing Center at Rudee Inlet.

The fee is \$12 for adults and \$10 for children 11 and younger and is payable at the boat. For reservations, call 437-4949.

## Pig picking benefit set

The 15th Annual Sandbridge Fire and Rescue Brigade Pig Picking at Little Island Park will be held from 1 - 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10.

The event is all-you-can-eat and includes beer, soft drinks, live music, dancing, and arts and crafts booths.

For tickets and information, call 721-3868 or 721-7711.

## Meteorologist presents talk

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# Behind the scenes of a bustling office

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The judges of the Circuit Court hear both civil and criminal cases. The criminal cases are primarily felony cases. These are the most serious cases, where the defendant can receive a term in the state penal system of one year or more, or even death, in an appropriate case. Most of the civil cases heard by the judge of the Circuit Court are those wherein the amount in controversy is in excess of \$10,000. This court also handles all matters involving divorce, adoption and change of name.

During the last couple of years, the judges and their staff, in conjunction with the Clerk of Circuit Court J. Curtis Fruit and his staff, and with financial assistance from the city, have instituted a calendar management system for handling civil cases. The American Bar Association has established guidelines concerning the length of time it should take to have a civil case disposed of.

Those guidelines say that 90 percent of all civil cases filed should be disposed of within one year from the date the suit was filed. Before we began the new Calendar Management System, we were only disposing of 43 percent of those cases within the one year time frame. As a result of the efforts of those mentioned above, during the past fiscal year, we had reached 74 percent, a significant improvement. This improvement was

accomplished without adding any additional staff.

During all of 1993 and up until a few months ago, mortgage interest rates had been running much lower than in recent years. As a consequence, many people had the opportunity to build a new home or to refinance the loan on their current home. The result was a tremendous increase in the number of documents recorded at the deed recording department of the Circuit Court Clerk's Office. During the 12-month period ending June 30, the employees in this department averaged more than 10,000 such documents each month. The total recordings for the period were 122,445, up from 97,346 during the same period for the year before. That is an increase of 25 percent.

**As a result of all the real estate activity taking place during late 1993 and early 1994 . . . the month of October, November, December and early January, the office was open three nights each week for this purpose.**

All that recording also translated into a significant increase in recording fees collected by the Clerk's Office. Each task performed by the Clerk's Office has a state mandated fee attached. Those fees are collected and the salaries of staff and some expenses of the Clerk's Office are paid therefrom.

All that is left over is referred to as "Excess Fees." According to a state law, the "Excess Fees" are then shared, with one-third going to the State and two-thirds going to the locality. Last year (FY 92/93) was the first time ever that the city's share of those excess fees was more than \$1 million. For the year ending June 30, 1993, \$1,060,409 was collected. For the year ending June 30, the city's share of those fees was \$1,330,702, an increase of 25 percent.

As a result of all the real estate activity taking place during late 1993 and early 1994, the clerk opened his office during the evening to members of the legal community and title searchers. During the month of October, November, December and early January, the office was open three nights each week for this purpose. The members of the public sector who used the Clerk's Office reim-

bursed the city for the expense of having personnel work overtime to keep the office open. This partnership between the public and the Clerk's Office helped everyone to accomplish the goal of getting these loans closed and records recorded in a more timely fashion for the public. J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk of the Circuit Court, contributed to this column.



Photo by David C. MacEach

## Environmentally friendly!

Virginia Beach Mayor Meyera E. Oberdorf recently presented city councilman Robert K. Dean with the Virginia Beach Environmental Hall of Fame Award at the Clean Community Commission Awards Breakfast. This award is in recognition of his many years of organizational leadership in sustaining the environmental community.

# The immigration time bomb has exploded

There are many ironies about the United States' current refugee crisis. A news headline proclaims that a rising tide of immigration is overwhelming the United States.

Yet, last weekend it was the high tides and storm surges in the Florida straits that overwhelmed the Cuban rafters and forced many temporarily to delay putting out to sea.

For years, a few leaders have warned of the disastrous consequences of uncontrolled immigration, calling it an invasion that threatens our survival as a free and prosperous nation. Ironically, the Clinton administration recently raised the possibility of an invasion of Haiti to restore its ousted president and curb the flow of refugees.

Instead, it is the Cubans who are now invading the U.S. When Fidel Castro decided not to detain Cubans who wanted to flee, he opened the flood gates. Although President Clinton announced that Cuba's president would not dictate our foreign policy, he has.

The Clinton administration promptly reversed the U.S. policy toward Cubans and declared that rafters would be picked up and, ironically, transported back to Cuba—to the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base. Already 15,000 seeking asylum are behind barbed wire in tents at the base and more may be on the way.

Now, it is the American families that are being displaced. Dependents are being sent back to the states and the full attention of the

naval base will be focused on feeding, clothing, providing health care, and protecting these refugees, now called migrants, along with the large number of Haitians in their own tent city there. How will this crisis end? At what cost?

Lawrence Auster of the American Foundation to Control Immigration (AFCI of Monterey) is the author of "The Path to National Suicide."

He asks, "Does the United States, does any nation, have a moral right to preserve its identity? If our answer is yes, then we have a right to open up this issue and re-evaluate our immigration law without fear of the crippling charge of racism. If our answer is no, then we shall simply continue our present path to national suicide."

The Federation for American Immigration Reform (FAIR), on the other hand, wants a moratorium on all immigration. The crisis is not confined to boat people. Securing the 2,000-mile border with Mexico is nearly impossible, no matter how large the Border Patrol. Ten years ago, Attorney General William French Smith admitted "the U.S. has lost control of its borders."

Last year, the Clinton administration pressured Mexico into sending a boatload of more than 650 undocumented Chinese back across the ocean. We had our own problem here when the Golden Venture ran aground off New York City. These poor Chinese had paid dearly to be smuggled into the U.S., only to be seized on shore.

Still, the Chinese have a special advantage: The Bush administration issued a series of executive orders that give "enhanced consideration" to Chinese who claim they oppose Beijing's policies on birth control, limiting couples to one child. Ironically, some say this policy has encouraged increased immigration from China.

The immigration time bomb has exploded. Today some 100 million people are on the move worldwide. This is the largest refugee flow in human history. The U.S. cannot escape the fallout, since virtually everybody who isn't wants to be an American.

## Lil's Quill

Lillian Youell, board member, Virginia Consortium for Law-Related Education.

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Les Wooten of 93.7 The Coast and Mike Fabrizio, a local television sportscaster, interviewed young women eager to win the swimsuit competition during the East Coast Surfing Championship over the weekend.

## Surfing contest draws action on land, water



A good surfboard is always essential to a great day on the waves. Wes Laine of Virginia Beach, 34, was glad to model his.

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chance to see professional surfers, as well as local amateurs, compete. "I just started getting into the beach, and learning how to surf, and I just wanted to see the professionals," said Staci Vinson of Kempsville.

She and her neighbor, Jimmy Fry, spent most of the day watching the competition. But there was more to ECSC than just surfing.

Other competitions included skimboarding, volleyball and body boarding. Walking up the beach from the jetty, one had to wade through clusters of people bearing various boards.

Many were rushing into the water, while skimmers glided by.

Others, like Jane Gibson of Hampton and Sarah Parnell of Sandbridge, sat in the sand by the water.

"I look forward to this every year," said Gibson, awaiting her heat for the women's bodyboard pre-

**"I look forward to this every year. I love to compete. I'm really a tennis competitor, but I love the water."**

Jane Gibson, bodyboarder

liminaries. "I love to compete. I'm really a tennis competitor, but I love the water."

For those who came out just to have fun, there were various bands on stage, a swimsuit competition, food and drink vendors galore.

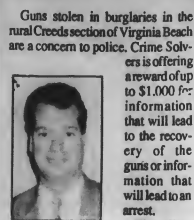
As spectators and competitors alike are gearing down from the event, plans are already being made for next year.

For surfers who hope to compete next year, Wes Laine had this piece of advice: "Have a really good small wave board. That's all you need."



Local band "Shane's Last Stand" provided musical entertainment to East Coast Surfing Championship visitors.

## Creeds burglaries puzzle Beach Crime Solvers



### Crime Solvers

By Detective Michael G. Derwent, Virginia Beach Police Department

Guns stolen in burglaries in the rural Creeds section of Virginia Beach are a concern to police. Crime Solvers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information that will lead to the recovery of the guns or information that will lead to an arrest.

The first burglary occurred in the 1800 block of Mill Landing Road during the weekend of April 8. Two other burglaries were reported in the 5400 and 5500 block of Fitztown Road. One occurred May 4 and the other during the week of July 16.

Three Remington and one Mossberg shotguns were stolen along with a .380-caliber semi-automatic pistol, a compound bow, jewelry, cash and savings bonds.

Anyone with information can call Crime Solvers anonymously at 427-0000.

Virginia Beach Police sex crimes investigators are also seeking assistance in gathering additional information in an ongoing investigation on two individuals they recently arrested for exposing themselves. Investigators are attempting to determine if additional incidents have occurred and gone unreported.

Investigators recently arrested Scott W. Cohan, 24, of the 900 block of West View Court. Cohan was arrested on Aug. 8 and charged with two counts of indecent liberties with a child.

The incidents occurred in the afternoon hours of July 31 and Aug. 6 when Cohan allegedly drove a light blue Chevrolet on Shagboard Road and in the 400 block of Reagan Avenue exposing himself to four females 13 years of age and younger.

Investigators have also arrested Scott D. Drylie, 33, of the 800 block of Hunting Hill Ln. Drylie was arrested on Aug. 5 and again Aug. 13. He has been charged with one count each of indecent exposure and indecent liberties with a child.

Drylie's charges stem from two incidents that occurred in the afternoon hours of July 13. In the first incident, Drylie exposed himself to a 15-year-old female who was riding a bicycle in the 700 block of Stell Lane in the Aragona section of the city.

In the second incident, Drylie allegedly exposed himself to three females 12 years old and younger near the intersection of Declaration Road and Clover Street. Drylie drove past the group of girls twice exposing himself as he passed them the second time.

In all instances the victims were able to provide investigators with descriptions of the suspects and vehicles.

Investigators believe that because of some of the victims' ages, additional incidents could have gone unreported to parents and police.

Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call Det. J.L. Pickell of the department's Sex Crime Unit at 427-4101.



Jeffrey Marshall shows off his silver-medal-winning softball throwing abilities at the Virginia Beach Police Athletic League Olympics held Saturday.

## PAL athletes prove they are all winners

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the field with 22 sailors eager to help.

"People know that Navy people often volunteer to help at these events," Williams said. "I took it on myself to find willing bodies for this."

Even Williams was surprised at the number of volunteers who rallied to assist. He believes it is the nature of most sailors to help in the communities in which their ships are based.

"We try to get involved as much as we can. Today we will help with setting up, clean up, and monitoring the events," he laughed as he concluded, "We'll do everything but give these kids our wallets."

Williams didn't need to worry about the children asking for more than he and his group were prepared to give.

"I am going to throw this baseball over the sign, into the tennis courts and hit that lady playing tennis on the head," announced an enthusiastic Jamar Miller.

"We don't want to hurt anybody," Kearsarge volunteer Willie McClain told the 7-year-old.

Miller, as he predicted, gave a gold-medal performance. "Can you do it again?" McClain

asked.

Once again Miller pitched for a record-setting 130 feet into the field.

Jeffrey Marshall was pleased with his performance.

"I'm having fun," he said. "I'm going to try my best to go home with the gold," he explained before he threw his silver-medal, 110-foot pitch.

Denault said children from selected neighborhoods are invited to participate in the PAL program as a way of bridging the gap between the community and the police. This year some children took trail rides and participated in a riding show with the police department's mounted patrol.

"And we took a group to Busch Gardens," he said proudly. "We transported them up there and helped them out."

"I am trying to get the kids involved so they can see that people can solve things by other ways than fighting," he said.

A child rushed to hug a favorite police officer. "Look at my medal," she exclaimed.

Parents cheered, making it clear that all of the participants were winners: winners in the PAL Olympics, and as the volunteers hope, winners in life.

## Miss Virginia readies for Atlantic City



Photo by Victoria Edwards

At least an hour of piano practice daily is preparing Miss Virginia, Cullen Johnson, for the stiff competition at the Miss America pageant in Atlantic City, N.J. on Sept. 17.

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not overly-competitive.

"This seemed like such an attainable goal for me. But once I won Miss Virginia and looking back, I don't think I would have been ready for this job sooner than this. I've put 8,000 miles on my car. You're in a different city all the time — and Miss America is in a different city every day! You've got to be able to balance every single aspect of your life. You've got to do everything on schedule."

And when does she have time to let her hair down?

"Oh, for about 10 minutes before I go to bed at 11 o'clock," she joked. "But girls who are competing for this sometimes don't realize that this is a job; it's just prizes and pretty clothes."

But the admiration and respect shown her since becoming Miss Virginia has made it all worth it.

"It's really wonderful to know I've made a difference," she reflected. "I remember I went to Park Oak Grove Nursing Home and asked this woman if she wanted my autograph and she started to cry because she was so touched."

A 1992 graduate of Longwood, Johnson majored in modern lan-

guages. With this background, she chose multi-cultural awareness as her platform issue for the pageant.

"I want to be the Governor's Magnet School for the Arts. What it does is draw people together from all different areas of the arts from all over (Hampton Roads) . . . I liked to do that because I got to learn a little bit about where they were from. I'd like to implement that on the elementary school level. The sooner you start kids on programs like that, the sooner it will benefit society and they can function better."

And what about all those tough questions the judges ask Miss America contestants? How is Johnson preparing for those?

"You have to be aware of as broad a spectrum as you can, from world issues to your platform to your personal feelings. It could be anything. That I think is the hardest thing about the pageant," she explained.

Hard? Not considering this Miss Virginia's poise and determination. In fact, Johnson might find the most difficult aspect about winning Miss America is keeping the crown from falling off as she glides down the walkway. Here's hoping for her!

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34-2  
18-26S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE  
IN RE: Emma Dean Gilmore, Plaintiff vs. Mack Gilmore, Defendant  
Case No. CH94-2509  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the said Plaintiff to obtain a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonial from the said defendant on the grounds that the parties have lived separate and apart without interruption and without cohabitation exceeding a period over one year.

It is ORDERED that Mack Gilmore appear and protect his interest, on or before September 29, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 8, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

33-7  
49-9S**Public Notice**

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF BT VENTURE PARTNERS  
Tom G. Thornburg, one of the two general partners of BT VENTURE PARTNERS (the "Partnership"), has sold his general partnership interest in the Partnership to Boddie Investment Company, the other general partner of the Partnership, and withdrawn from the Partnership, and the Partnership has been dissolved. Boddie Investment Company will continue the business formerly conducted by the Partnership without liquidation of the partnership affairs.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF TOM G. THORNBURG FROM THE PARTNERSHIP, OF THE TRANSFER OF THE PARTNERSHIP'S PROPERTY TO BODDIE INVESTMENT COMPANY AND OF THE DISSOLUTION OF BT VENTURE PARTNERS.

EFFECTIVE as of the 14th day of April, 1994, BT VENTURE PARTNERS a North Carolina General Partnership Partnership BODDIE INVESTMENT COMPANY, General Partner P.O. Box 1908 Rocky Mount, NC 27802-1908

33-13  
49-9S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE  
IN RE: The adoption of Stephanie Anne Yeo, Ashley Marie Yeo, and Christopher Stephen Yeo by Stephen A. Stack  
Case No. CA94-147  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the adoption of Stephanie Anne Yeo, Ashley Marie Yeo, and Christopher Stephen Yeo by Stephen A. Stack.

It is ORDERED that Stephen Alfred Yeo appear and protect his interest, on or before September 26, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: 8-5-94  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Rhonda V. Tynes, Deputy Clerk.

32-7  
49-2S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, September 13, 1994 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: KEMPVILLE BOROUGH

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Beach Orthopaedic Assoc. and Charles S. Friedman for a Conditional Change of Zoning District Classification from R-5D Residential Duplex District to O-1 Office District on certain property located on the west side of Kempville Road, south of Canterbury Lane. The proposed zoning classification change to O-1 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for high density residential at densities that are compatible with single-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 1445 Kempville Road and contains 34,848 square feet more or less. KEMPVILLE BOROUGH.

RECONSIDERATION OF CONDITIONS: PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH: 2. Application of Eight D. Corporation, a Virginia Corp., for a reconsideration of conditions placed on the application for a change of zoning from AG-2 to B-2 and a conditional use permit for a car wash on April 27, 1993. Property is located at the northeast corner of General Booth Boulevard and Culver Lane. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of D & M Corp., for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service station in conjunction with a convenience store and a car wash on the southwest side of Independence Boulevard, northwest of Lakeside Road. Said parcel is located at 1645 Independence Boulevard and contains 1,344 acres. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AEE  
City Clerk

34-11  
29-2S**Public Notice**

The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, September 14, 1994 at 12:00 Noon in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE, AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:

1. Appeal from Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John W. & Ellen M. Blumling. Property is located at 2276 Greenwell Road. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

2. An Ordinance upon Application of The First Lynnhaven Baptist Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a church at the northeast corner of Salem Road and Lisbon

Road. Said parcel is located at 2336 Salem Road and contains 15,748 acres. KEMPVILLE BOROUGH.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of The Southland Corporation for a Conditional Use Permit for an automotive service station in conjunction with a convenience store at the northwest corner of Independence Boulevard and Edwin Drive. Said parcel is located at 496 Independence Boulevard and contains 1,061 acres. KEMPVILLE BOROUGH.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Kenneth S. Merner for a Conditional Use Permit for an automotive service station in conjunction with a convenience store on certain property located on the south side of Virginia Beach Boulevard, 82.01 feet east of Parker Lane. Said parcel contains 1.6 acres more or less. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Cellular Limited Partnership, Contel Cellular, Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit for a 150-foot communications tower on certain property located 850 feet north of Dam Neck Road. Said parcel contains 5.49 acres. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

RECONSIDERATION OF CONDITIONS:

6. Application of Gary V. & Wilma M. House for the reconsideration of conditions placed on the application for a subdivision variance for Old Donation Farm Partnership in June 1, 1987. Property is located at 4136 Cheswick Lane. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

AMENDMENT:

7. Motion of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain Section 233.1 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to requirements for conditional use permits for eating and drinking establishments serving alcoholic beverages.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 7/13/94.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of Hayden I. & Sherri R. Dubey for a Conditional Change of Zoning District Classification from R-7.5 Residential District to O-1 Office District on property located on the north side of Shore Drive, 120 feet more or less east of Greenwell Road. The proposed zoning classification change to O-1 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for retail service use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 4360 Shore Drive and contains 21,126.6 square feet. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Hayden I. & Sherri R. Dubey for a Conditional Change of Zoning District Classification from B-2 Community Business District to O-1 Office District on property located on the north side of Shore Drive, 1283 feet more or less east of Greenwell Road. The proposed zoning classification change to O-1 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for retail service use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 4360 Shore Drive and contains 20,778.12 square feet. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 9/13/94.

10. An Ordinance upon Application of Ramon W. Breen, Jr., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-4 Resort Commercial District to R-55 Residential Single Family District at the southeast intersection of S. Military Highway and Eastern Branch Elizabeth River. The proposed zoning classification change to R-55 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 5,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for urban medium density residential land use at densities that are compatible with multi-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 320 South Military Highway and contains 11,640 acres. KEMPVILLE BOROUGH.

11. Motion of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain Sections 1501, 1511 and 1521 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to use regulations for eating and drinking establishments in the RT-1 Resort Tourist District, RT-2 Resort Tourist District and the RT-3 Resort Tourist District.

12. Motion of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain Sections 502 and 506 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to dimensional requirements.

13. Motion of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain

Section 602 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to dimensional requirements.

14. Motion of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain Sections 1124 and adding a new Section C 1129 pertaining to dimensional requirements.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Robert J. Scott  
Planning Director  
If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at: 427-4033. Hearing impaired, call: TDD: 403 at 427-4305, (TDD - Telephone Device for the Deaf).

34-12  
29-2S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: Georgiana Jordan Basille, aka Georgianna Jordan Cotton, Plaintiff vs.

George Cotton, Defendant  
Case No. CH94-1976

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonium from the said defendant on the grounds of a one year separation.

It is ORDERED that George Cotton appear and protect his interest, on or before October 13th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 22, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

35-8  
49-23S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: KATHARINE JANE (CARROLL) DONAHUE, Plaintiff vs. PETER LEE DONAHUE, Defendant

Case No. CH94-2732

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonium from the said defendant, upon the grounds of desertion and/or 12 months separation.

It is ORDERED that PETER LEE DONAHUE appear and protect his interest, on or before October 14th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 23, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

35-7  
49-23S**Public Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF: THELMA LOUISE CROSS, Plaintiff, vs.

JAMES THOMAS CROSS, Defendant.

CASE NUMBER: DR-94-177

NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION  
James Thomas Cross, whose whereabouts are otherwise unknown, to petitioner, must answer Thelma Louise Cross' petition for divorce and other relief by Sept. 16, 1994, or thereafter a Judgment by Default may be rendered against him in case number DR-4-177, Circuit Court of Lee County, Alabama.

Done this 16th day of August, 1994.

Annette Hardy,  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lee County, Alabama.  
Walter M. Northcutt  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Post Office Box 889  
Auburn, AL 36830  
(205) 826-0944

34-10  
39-9S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

IN THE MATTER OF: NATANBANK OF VIRGINIA, N.A., MARY ELIZABETH TATUM KOLLMANSPERGER AND TOY D. SAVAGE, JR., CO-EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN W. TATUM, Deceased

**CHANCERY NO. 94-2804**

SHOW CAUSE ORDER

It appearing to the Court that a report of the accounts of NatansonBank, Co-Executors of the Estate of John W. Tatum, Deceased, and of the debts and demands against the Estate, have been filed in the Clerk's Office of this Court and that more than six (6) months have elapsed since the qualification, on motion of the said NatansonBank, Co-Executors of the Estate of John W. Tatum, Deceased, it is

ORDERED, that the creditors of, and all others interested in, the Estate do show cause, if any they can, at 9:30 a.m. on the 30th day of September, 1994, before this court, in its Courtroom, against the payment and delivery of the Estate of John W. Tatum, Deceased, to the legatees without requiring refunding bonds.

It is further ORDERED that this Show Cause Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Certified to be TRUE COPY of record in my custody.

J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
Circuit Court, Virginia Beach, Va.

By: RAYMOND W. BJORKMAN, D.C.

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35-6  
29-9S**Public Notice**

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF ACCOUNTS  
CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

AUGUST 15, 1994

RICHARD CORBIN FORD, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Section 64-1-171, as amended, Code of Virginia, that the undersigned Commissioner of Accounts, having been requested by NATANBANK, ANK and Richard Corbin Ford, Jr., Co-Executors of the Estate of Richard Corbin Ford, deceased, has appointed the 7th day of September, 1994, at 3:00 P.M., at 129 South Great Neck Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23454, as the time and place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the decedent or her estate.

Stanley A. Phillips  
Commissioner of Accounts

35-1  
19-2S**Public Notice**

TAKE NOTICE THAT ON Sept. 12, 1994 at 10:00 AM at the premises of Tidewater Imports, Inc., DBA The Hall Auto Mall, 3152 Va. Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452, the undersigned will sell at public auction, for cash, reserving unto itself the right to bid, the following motor vehicles:

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Serial # 2DEG25K0N4512564

Date: August 23, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

35-10  
19-2S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, on the 25th day of August, 1994.

In re: Name Change - Regina Sike Brown  
Petitioner.

To: Reginald William Brown  
IN CHANCERY #94-2817

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

This day came Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner, and represented that the object of this proceeding is to effect the name change of the above named infant, Regina Sike Brown, to be known as Regina Sike Hemingway, and affidavit having been made and filed that Reginald William Brown, a natural parent of said child, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, the last known post office address being in the State of Illinois (street address unknown).

It is therefore Ordered that the said Reginald William Brown appear before this Court within ten (10) days after publication of this Order and indicate his attitude toward the proposed adoption, or otherwise do what is necessary to protect his interest in this matter.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

A copy testee:  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Tammy Mening, D.C.  
Michael R. Davis, p.c.  
One Columbus Center  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

35-9  
49-23S**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: The adoption of Amanda Lynn Gruber by John Norfolk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for John Norfolk to adopt Amanda Lynn Gruber

It is ORDERED that Mark Wesley Brady appear and protect his interest, on or before October 17th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

Date: August 26, 1994  
A copy testee:  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Tammy Mening, D.C.

35-11  
49-23S**Public Notice**

Auction: 1987 HYUNDAI EXCEL (6513)  
Serial Number: #KMHLD1114H-U042783

Auction Date: SEPT. 13, 1994  
Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

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35-2  
19-2S**Public Notice**

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Auction Date: SEPT. 13, 1994  
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35-3  
19-2S**Public Notice**

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35-4  
19-2S**Public Notice**

Auction: 1984 PLYMOUTH HORIZON (6224)

Serial Number: #1P3BMCBCED246035

Auction Date: SEPT. 15, 1994  
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# MILITARY REPORT

## MILITARY UPDATE

### Best

Navy Petty Officer 2nd Class Gerard D. Best, whose wife, Kimberly, is the daughter of Diana Klingerman of Virginia Beach was recently designated a Master Training Specialist.

Best earned his designation as an instructor by demonstrating exceptional dedication to duty, leadership excellence, technical competence, superb instructing procedures and a desire to improve fleet readiness through quality instruction.

He is currently assigned with Naval Air Reserve, Naval Air Station, Norfolk.

He joined the Navy in November 1984.

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### Lekberg

Navy Seaman Eric A. Lekberg, son of Nancy U. Lekberg of Virginia Beach, was recently promoted to his present rank upon graduation from recruit training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

Lekberg received the early promotion for outstanding performance during all phases of the training cycle. Trainees studied general military subjects designed to prepare them for further academic and on-the-job training in one of the Navy's 85 basic occupational fields. Included in course studies were seamanship, close-order drill, Navy history and first aid.

### Torkelson

KADENA AIR BASE, Okinawa, Japan — Air Force 2nd Lt. Thomas D. Torkelson has arrived for duty here.

Torkelson, a co-pilot, is the son of Carole Gregg of Virginia Beach and David P. Torkelson of Great Falls, Mont.

He is a 1988 graduate of First Colonial High School, and a 1992 graduate of U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

## Remote military outpost proves a challenge

By RICH LAMANCE

Military Correspondent

KUNSAN AIR BASE, South Korea — An airman stationed at this small air base, where waves from the Yellow Sea lap the runways, once told a friend that "Kunsan isn't the end of the world... but you can sure see it from here."

Add living at one of the Air Force's most remote assignments with the constant tension and stress of being in what one national magazine recently called "one of the most dangerous places on earth," and you have life that is anything but normal.

Air Force Sgt. Ronda G. Phillips, granddaughter of Jesse and Hazel Phillips of Virginia Beach, is a member of the famed Wolf Pack unit with a reputation as one of the most combat-ready air units in the world — and one of the most remote.

This small four-square mile

base is one of only two permanent Air Force bases on the South Korean peninsula and about the last remaining Air Force unaccompanied tour.

Phillips is the non-commissioned officer in charge of the 8th Operations Squadron personnel section.

With North Korea only 150 miles to the north, and less than 20 minutes away by F-16, Kunsan keeps a 24-hour-a-day vigil. More than 1 million soldiers from the communist north provide a constant threat; sabotage is expected from North Korean frogmen and paratroopers; and, Scud missiles stay aimed at the base, making readiness for airmen assigned here their number one priority.

"During wartime, I keep track of our manpower availability, which helps the commander to know how many people he has, and where to best use them to defend the base," Phillips said.



Courtesy Photos

An F-16 fighter takes off from Kunsan Air Base in South Korea less than 20 minutes away by air from the border between north and south. Two units of fighters make this small base one of the most strategic on the South Korean peninsula.

Loneliness is often a common denominator at this small base about three hours away from the nearest large American facility. Everyone here is away from his family for at least a year, and many airmen find themselves putting in 12-hour work days just to alleviate the boredom. Restrictions prohibit most airmen from driving in Korea, making the common bicycle a precious commodity.

Phillips, and most of her fellow airmen, at what many commonly refer to as "the Kun," think of life at Kunsan as a definite departure from their normal way of life.

"I think Kunsan is a remote tour primarily because family members aren't allowed to accompany members coming for their tour," Phillips said. "Very few people are allowed to bring their vehicles, which limits travel, and calling home can be an expensive prospect."

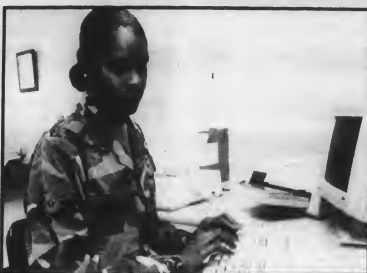
Most airmen arriving in Korea for the first time face varying degrees of culture shock. Unfamiliar people speaking an

unfamiliar language, eating strange looking and smelling food in an exotic-looking land can make life here a challenge at best. For some it can be almost paralyzing.

"One of the more distinctly different things about living here is the food, which is quite a contrast from what we're used to back home," she explained.

"The Korean people seem to be as fascinated about me as I am about them. What I've found most interesting are their living areas. They live in all these high rise apartment buildings, which have a lot of apartments, and the people seemed to live so close to each other. It kind of reminds me of the places in the States that we call projects."

For Phillips, and others stationed at this southern-most base in Korea, the difficulty often becomes the routine. Working 12-hour days, doing without the extras in life and training for a constant state of readiness could very well make this assignment the most remote and dangerous on earth.



Air Force St. Ronda G. Phillips updates airmen's administrative records at her work station. Phillips is a non-commissioned officer in the 8th Operations Squadron personnel section, and is stationed at Kunsan Air Base, South Korea, considered one of the most remote assignments in the Air Force.

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## Ultimate beach blast strikes a chord with fans

Enthusiasm prevails over weather at the oceanfront

By M.J. KNOBLOCK  
Sun Correspondent

They came from all over the country. Yet most of them were thirty-something, with kids in tow, on vacation.

The cloudy skies, rough surf and strong winds didn't keep them and thousands of others from spreading out their blankets in the sand at Fifth Street. Even when the Virginia Beach lifeguards whistled people in from the ripides, they sat elbow-to-elbow in front of the stage, awaiting the Beach Boys, Billy Ray Cyrus, The Temptations, The Four Tops and a host of others, the main attractions of the American Music Festival.

Tiffany Turner and Gina Scarbrough, both 14, of Midland, Texas, sat in the surf during the opening band, excitedly awaiting their first glimpse of the Beach Boys.

"I got a brochure in the mail that said they're having an American Music Festival," said Scarbrough, as a wave ran out beneath her legs. "I showed it to my parents and they said they wanted to go, because of Billy Ray Cyrus and the Beach Boys."

"I've never been to the beach before," she said with a grin. "It's wonderful. It's the best vacation I've ever had, and I've only been here for one day."

Rob and Jodi Stevens moved to Virginia Beach from San Diego about a month ago, and they were stretched out in the sand on a striped Mexican blanket, eager to see the Beach Boys and other groups in person.

"They've always been my favorite," said Rob, nothing the group reminds him mostly of surfing, which he misses. His favorite song by the group is "Surfin' U.S.A." The Stevens agreed that the festival on the beach wouldn't be complete without the Beach Boys.

"A beach party just wouldn't be right without them," said Rob.

Meanwhile, Melanie Beroth, who took off time from doing homework for her Regent University classes, checked out the rough waves as they tumbled in.

Beroth looked around at the crowd squashed inside the block-long area.

"I didn't know this many people liked the Beach Boys," she laughed. "Especially with this weather."

But when the group finally emerged on stage with their well-known "California Girls," the crowd cheered and rose to its feet.

George Gillespie, who lives in the Shadowlawn section of Virginia Beach, first heard the Beach Boys play about 15 or 20 years ago.

"We like their music," he said.

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On Monday, the final day of the much-touted American Music Festival, 13,000 people packed the beach at 5th Street to enjoy the final headline group, The Four Tops. Each little plot of sand was at a premium as concert-goers

strained for a view of the action on stage. Other top-name performers were The Temptations, The Beach Boys and Billy Ray Cyrus.



The thirty-something crowd got wild and crazy to The Beach Boys as memories of their youth flooded back to the strains of "California Girl," "Surfin' USA" and other hits.

## "Mr. Seatack" gets his due

Crime Solvers honors Aaron Parsons for work

By SASHA TOEY  
Sun Correspondent

"I grew up rough," Aaron Parsons stated simply.

He offered this at the end of the interview, but his eyes said it isn't something he likes to talk about.

"By the time I was 15, I was on my own," he continued. "I just sort of went from relative to relative."

That frustrated 15-year-old has come a long way in 62 years. In his Seatack neighborhood he is known as the man who cleaned up the park and was a member of the hospital board; Tuesday he was honored as the first board member emeritus by the Virginia Beach Crime Solvers.

"Gee, whiz, all this ceremony," Parsons sighed modestly as he accepted a plaque on behalf of the Crime Solvers Board. In attendance were former chairmen George Duval, who presented the award, Al Craft, the founding chairman, and Bill Myers, who is presently the chairman of public relations.

Crime Solvers came to Virginia Beach in 1982, and Craft remembers it just as "five guys meeting at the Pine Tree Inn."

"They needed to raise money. That need brought them veteran fundraiser Aaron Parsons."

"I knew how to get money," Parsons laughed. Among his many ac-

complishments was converting an old donated building into the Seatack Fire Station.

When he'd nearly finished with the fire department, Parsons was asked by the mayor to clean up Seatack Park.

"Oh, it was a mess," he reminisced. "Seatack was a junk heap then." By the time Parsons had worked his magic, the neighborhood had a park it could be proud of.

**"One of the beautiful parts of the program is you don't have to get a conviction."**

Aaron Parsons, Crime Solvers supporter

and Parsons had a new title: "Mr. Seatack." Some folks even began calling him the "Mayor of Seatack."

In 1982, he began working to raise funds for a new innovative program, Virginia Beach Crime Solvers. The program would allow private citizens to donate money that could be offered as a reward money for help in solving crimes. In addition to his fund-raising ef-

forts Parsons began canvassing neighborhoods to find out what the residents needed.

They wanted neighborhood and crime watch programs. They wanted to know that somebody cared about the escalating drug and violence problems. In his quiet, often joking way, Parsons began to offer solutions to those problems.

"One of the beautiful parts of the program is you don't have to get a conviction. The moment a criminal is arrested, they get their reward," he noted.

Recently medical problems have made it difficult for Parsons to attend the regular meetings.

"The doctor gave me a new back," he said. "Right now everything is on hold because it all depends upon my recovery."

However, he isn't giving up his place on the Crime Solvers Board.

"The moment I get a release, I'll be back in circulation. I will be out there with Bill Myers making presentations."

Parsons is a bit wishful when he talks about how things used to be.

"When I was a kid in Princess Anne County, nobody locked their doors. If you saw somebody going to a neighbor's house, or they saw

## From Russia with love

Moscow Family vacations with city councilwoman

By VICTORIA EDWARDS  
Sun Editor

One special family to recently visit Virginia Beach traveled thousands of miles to bask in the beauty here that many locals often take for granted.

"I like this city very much; it's clean, and the air is fresh. Plus there is much more nature here than you would expect in a city," Moscow lawyer Alla Kolesnik explained with the help of a translator, her 17-year-old daughter Tanya.

Alla vacationed in the resort city with her daughter and son, Alex, 24, compliments of Virginia Beach City Council member Nancy Parker.

But the Russian family's visit here was much more than a beach adventure; it represented the spirit of goodwill between Virginia Beach and its sister city Centralia (actually a section of Moscow).

"There was a group of us from here who went to Moscow at the end of June. My children stayed with the Kolesniks during that time," Parker explained. "While there we extended an invitation for them to come see us in America."

The Russian family was quick to take up on the offer. The Parkers got the call from Alla on Wednesday, Aug. 20 that they would be flying into Dulles International Airport outside Washington, D.C. in two days. The local family eagerly anticipated the visit.

"That Friday we drove up to Washington to pick them up. We didn't have to do a lot to prepare for the visit; we were just glad they were coming," Parker said.

But the Kolesniks' first moments in the United States proved to be less than welcoming.

"Because all three of them were in the U.S. apparently the American embassy thought they were immigrating here, and the Russians don't want to lose their people either," she said.

After being detained briefly, the Kolesniks were able to laugh over the situation. But more importantly, they were ready for their two-week stay with the American family.

Tanya found quick friends in Parker's two daughters, Jessica, 15, and Casey, 13. Like most American teens, the Russian

girl became quickly enamored with forays to the beach.

"I really like the beach," she explained, sporting a healthy tan from all her sun sessions. "There are lots of people and it's much fun."

Parker noted that when the Kolesniks arrived, they were all very pale. The entire family now looks as if it spent the summer on the sand.

Prepared to keep her guests busy, Parker lined up a multitude of outings: the Virginia Marine Science Museum, the Chrysler Museum in Norfolk, a dolphin watch ride on The Miss Virginia, watersports on the Chesapeake Bay and shopping.

"Boy, did they go shopping!"

"I liked the malls very much," Alla explained rapidly in Russian, her daughter struggling to keep up. "They are not like the ones in Moscow. Malls here are very beautiful and cool."

Alex and Tanya bought inline skates to take back to Moscow. "They were really good at rollerblading since they ice skate

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Virginia Beach City Council member Nancy Parker recently hosted guests of a different kind in her home. Alla Kolesnik, far right, and her daughter Tanya, 17, and son Alex, 24, traveled from Moscow as goodwill ambassadors. Shown with the Russian visitors are Parker and her daughters, Jessica and Casey. The local girls stayed with the Kolesniks during a recent trek to Moscow.

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# Commentary

## Share the road

Hampton Roads residents often tend to forget that beyond military and industry, another means of employment contributes to the quality of life in our area: agriculture. Certainly what would we do without those juicy watermelons sold locally at roadside stands in Pungo, those hearty collards available off the back of small farmers' trucks in Portsmouth, or bright pumpkins grown in Chesapeake with which residents love to decorate their porches?

As the bigger cash crops come into season here, don't forget that harvest season means an increase in farm machinery traffic on rural roads. There are still "rural" roads in urban Hampton Roads.

So as farmers and ranchers rush to meet harvest deadlines, remember that vehicles and farm machinery can create a lethal mix on the road. The Virginia Cooperative Extension Service and National Safety Council urges motorists to respect their agricultural friends by being patient, not tailgating and giving farm machinery drivers a break.

Additionally, farmers are encouraged to get a slow-moving vehicle emblem clearly visible from the rear if their farm equipment operates at less than 25 miles per hour. They should also use flashing hazard lights to warn other vehicles about wide loads and frequently turns.

Remember, road safety can prevent a harvest drive from becoming a one-way trip. — V.L.E.

## Creative solutions to handling pesky callers

I just heard on a tabloid show (so you know it must be true) that Princess Diana may have made a few harassing telephone calls from her car phone and her private line. It is nice that Scotland Yard leaked this information when it did, because I have a story about an answering machine.



### A Different Perspective

By Sasha Toney, columnist

Had the art dealer who claims he received harassing telephone calls from Princess Diana known my friend Trish, he would have gotten the last laugh.

Trish leads an interesting life. She has teenagers. For her an answering machine is not a luxury, it is a necessity. She bought one, hooked it up and found that it enabled her to have undisturbed time in the bathroom, receive her messages while she was shopping, and screen calls while only answering those that were for her. She was delighted.

One afternoon she and her husband returned home to see the blinking light. They hit the "play" button. The message was an original. Somebody was breathing heavily. They laughed thinking it must be a friend of theirs playing a joke.

"Did you breathe into my answering machine?" she asked me and a number of other friends. None of us had done this. Trish didn't get angry. In her usual unflappable style, she hit the record button and recorded the following message.

"We can't come to the phone right now. Leave your name and number and we'll call you back. By the way, this is for my brother."

She then breathed like she'd run a marathon. It was loud. It was obnoxious. The telephone calls stopped.

A monster was born that day. Trish asked us all to call to hear the message. Eventually this became a weekly event. She has taken care of bill collectors, pesky teens who call dozens of times during the day, and even

tackled the subject of aliens via her answering machine messages.

"You've reached the Smith Alien Headquarters," one message began. "Our alien decoder rings started glowing signaling that we're being summoned back to our mother ship for the long journey home. Leave a message and we'll try to catch up with you on our next trip back to Earth."

Do you think even Princess Diana would have rattled on in an obscene manner confronted with that? I laughed so hard tears were running down my face.

During the long months of summer the telephone was in almost constant use. I could tell that Trish was getting a little testy when I heard her voice saying this:

"This the doc. Everyone here seems to have lost their minds. A major manhunt is taking place right now to find the minds of poor souls. Please leave a message and I promise they will notice the red blinking light."

I got worse a few weeks later when she issued the following:

"It's your quarter and we're glad you used it to call someone who cares. Right now we're too busy to care. Leave a message!"

"I'm worried about you," I told her. "You didn't sound like your usual cheerful self on your machine."

"The day school starts, Trish said. 'I am going to lay on my council, eat grapes, drink Pepsi and watch movies.'"

Our foray into unusual answering machine messages ended as quickly as it began. We were being played by a bill collector for a bill we knew we'd paid. The calls were almost constant and coming at about three a day. My husband Steve, frustrated after reaching computers and not real people, recorded the following:

"If you like to leave a message, please do. If you want to reach us in person, try back later and if you are Bullpuppers Gas Brokers you can kiss my BEEEEEP."

The results were exciting. Bullpuppers representatives quit calling us day and night. Our friends cheered our creativity. One afternoon I came home, hit the "play" button to hear a recording of Steve's message:

"This is Captain Humphreys . . . I grabbed my stomach as I listened to my husband's commanding officer chuckle his way through an important message."



## Labor Day on the roads? Laborious!

What is it about lousy drivers that makes people's blood boil?

Yes, I know I have written columns about crummy motorists before, but there's a reason for it: each day on the road is a new and different adventure.



### Off The Cuff

By Victoria Edwards, editor

In fact, no two days are alike, because you're bound to come across some pinheads who wouldn't know brake from a tire iron.

Having travelled the well-worn road to Evan's

grandparents' home in coastal North Carolina for the Labor Day weekend, I'm still trying to recover from motorists hopelessly lacking in basic "driver's ed" skills.

The trip down Friday evening wasn't so bad. Sure, it was pitch-black and raining on those Carolina backroads, but few drivers were out. Evan and I cruised right through Ahoskie, Williamston, New Bern and all the little villages along the way with little difficulty.

"Wow, that was pretty good. All the non-driving fools must have decided to stay off the roads tonight," Evan beamed as we pulled into Grandma and Grandpa's driveway.

Once inside, I collapsed in an easy chair, certain that Labor Day weekend 1994 would be our year to rule the roads.

Saturday and Sunday proved OK as well, since we did very little driving and left it up to the grandkids. But almost immediately Sunday night when we hit the road for Norfolk, I knew we were in trouble.

Evan and I backed out of the driveway, heading for the gas station to fill up before the 200-mile trek.

"Think we'll be lucky today on the roads?" he asked me hopefully. Gee, I hated to bust his bubble, considering the innocent, eager way he looked at me.

I shook my head. Trouble loomed in the distance, actually about 200 feet ahead, where a beat-up, tan station wagon swerved from lane to lane.

"Uh, oh, looks like trouble," I surmised.

Evan pulled up closer.

"Hey," I yelled, "don't get so close to that idiot. I don't want my car looking like his!"

"But I've got to get around it," he yelled back.

So we inched nearer. Finally, we were right up alongside the early 1970's station wagon. The "he" driving actually turned out to be an elderly woman trying to eat a double-dip ice cream cone. Evan honked at her in annoyance. She smiled back, taking a mighty big lick from her treat.

As we passed the ice cream eater, Evan pounded his head with a palm.

"Now if she would only wrap her hands around the wheel she way she's got her mouth wrapped around that cone," he grumbled.

I glanced back in the mirror. Yep, she was still doing the "Double Dip Swerve."

We relaxed a little. Ah, the open road spreading before us! Sunset skies. No rain. Perfect!

Well, for about five minutes anyway. Then the highway narrowed to one lane in each direction. And there, not too far ahead of us, stood the next obstacle — a convoy.

**Have you ever noticed how time slows to a crawl when you're in a "Billy Bob convoy?" Yes, five minutes as well be five hours.**

You know the kind I'm talking about. It's the nightmare scene where Billy Bob is poking along in his rusted-out pick-up that should have gone to car heaven 10 years ago. Well, here he was, driving his comfortable 35 miles per hour on a 55 mile per hour road without a care in the world about the 15 cars piled up behind him.

"Ugh!" I screamed. Evan groaned. Have you ever noticed how time slows to a crawl when you're in a "Billy Bob convoy?" Yes, five minutes as well be five hours. Frustration mounts. Tempers flare. It really is an awful scene.

"Oh, just stop at that little restaurant and we'll have a soda," I suggested.

Evan cruised by it.

"Why didn't you stop?" I asked in annoyance. "We could have left that damned caravan get farther up the road and we could relax."

But he was a man driven by deter-

mination.

"What? And lose our place in line?" he said incredulously. "Anyway, we'd just run into it again, only 50 cars back!"

I sulked. Evan drove. He turned on music. I hate. I sulked some more. Finally, Billy Bob made a turn and we picked up speed.

But something is always ready to get in your way, and this time it was an annoying mini-van with New Jersey plates and a parcel of children on board. A car was in front of the van doing about five miles over the speed limit. Mr. New Jersey Mini-Van decided he would ride the car's butt with only inches to spare.

"Um, Evan," I cautioned, "don't ride too near this fool. He's going to ram into that car. Why doesn't he just pass it instead of tailgating?"

Evan heeded my advice and let up a little. But what was even more irritating was the way the mini-van driver could slam on his brakes every 30 seconds because he was so close to the car.

We went along like this for 20 miles. The mini-van refused to ease up, even though we encountered some pretty good curves. Unfortunately, we couldn't pass either for all the curves.

Finally, the road turned to two lanes again. Still the New Jersey mini-van taunted. We blew around the car and van, Evan glaring at the van's driver the whole time.

"He looked straight at me as if to say, 'What did I do?'" Evan said as we were clear. "I just wish I had a sign to hold up to all these drivers that says 'PINHEAD!'"

I laughed in empathy. The rest of the trip was trying, but the worst was over.

"Thank God for Hampton Roads traffic," I sighed as we merged into the interstate traffic. "Now we're in our element!"

We dropped Evan off at his house, then I headed home myself. But the blood-boiling drive from North Carolina wouldn't be complete without a topper. Just blocks from my house, I stopped at a light to make a left turn. One car occupied by a young man and woman was in front.

The light turned green. That means "go," but I wasn't! The love-struck couple in front was engrossed in what had to be the longest kiss in history. I honked once...twice...three times! They continued their tête-à-tête. The light turned yellow, then red.

The agony of defeat — and just blocks from home! It was the perfect, teeth-grinding end to a laborious Labor Day weekend drive!

## What will they think of next to waste our hard-earned dollars?

A group of environmental nuts is petitioning the federal government to buy thousands of condoms and place them in areas where there have been



### The Real World

By R.J. Searious, senior columnist

use the contraceptives.

C.A.S.S.E.C. spokesperson said, "Although there have been no reported cases of AIDS or other sexually transmitted diseases in the Bigfoot community, the creatures are so much like man we have every reason to believe they may be developing these serious infections just like we did. It's up to us to share our disease prevention techniques with them."

"We simply must save them from illnesses that could conceivably wipe out their entire population."

The C.A.S.S.E.C. Plan is for experienced hikers to carry the condoms deep into remote wilderness areas and leave them there with instruction sheets.

Their hope is that the Sasquatches will be able to figure out how to use them from the illustrations.

"The Bigfoot is known to be highly intelligent," the C.A.S.S.E.C. spokesperson said. "We have confidence that if the instruction sheets are clearly illustrated, they'll get the message."

Naturally, the idea, which may end up costing the U.S. taxpayers \$200,000, is not without opponents. Noted environmentalist Janet Grainer says, "The plan is ridiculous. There's no reason to assume that the Bigfoot is susceptible to these diseases," and even if they were, she added, there's no indications that they would use condoms if they were provided.

"That money would be better spent in an effort to save the spotted owl or the Bengal tiger," Grainer noted.

The C.A.S.S.E.C. group, however, will not be discouraged. They are gathering signatures on a petition and plan to push their proposal through Congress later this year.

"The \$200,000 price tag is nothing to the U.S. government," says the C.A.S.S.E.C. spokesperson.

What is so frightening about all this is that there are some idiots in Congress who will think that this is a brilliant idea and will sponsor such a bill.

The next thing you know, some fool will ask the taxpayer to buy condoms for cats and dogs. Come to think of it, it might not be a bad idea. Welcome to the real world.

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## Neptune Fest Air Show takes to the sky this weekend

The Canadian Snow Birds Jet Team returns to the Neptune Festival Air Show this Saturday and Sunday at Naval Air Station Oceana. Scheduled from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m., the shows are free and open to the public.

"The air show is always exciting and it's Oceana's chance to show the Virginia Beach and Hampton Roads public exactly what we do," said Cmdr. Larry Neal, director of this year's program.

Highlights will include: Sky Hawks, Canadian paratroopers; French Connection, a civilian acrobatic team; Formula V air races; Mig-15 acrobatic shows; BD-5's and mini jet displays; remote control demonstrations; and hang gliders. A 12-plane fly-by with F-14's and F-18's highlights the 11:30 a.m. opening ceremony Saturday.

Gates open at 9 a.m. each day with various demonstrations leading up to the show start. Disabled persons are invited on Friday to come out and enjoy the practice show. For more information, call 433-2685.



The Canadian Forces Parachute Team will amaze visitors with their canopy formation at the 1994 Neptune Festival Air Show.

## Back Bay slates Kids Fishing Day

Back Bay National Wildlife Refuge will hold Kids Fishing Day II Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. This event is for children age 12 and younger. Parents and grandparents are encouraged to participate in this educational and fun event.

Refuge staff and volunteers will work with participants to foster a better understanding of fish ecology, ethical conduct, and fishing techniques. Fishing rods and reels will not be provided, so come prepared with bait and necessary fishing equipment. This event is specifically designed for ages 12 and younger, and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

Participants are asked to meet at the Visitor Contact Station, located at the south end of Sandpiper Road in the Sandbridge area of Virginia Beach. The standard refuge entrance fee to use the refuge will apply. Reservations are required and can be made by calling the refuge at 721-2412, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## Ahoy, all you mateys!

The United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, Flotilla 57 of Lynnhaven will offer a basic boating skills and seamanship course to the general public beginning Tuesday.

Classes will be held at First Colonial High School Tuesdays and Thursdays.

This 15-lesson class is offered free. However, there is a fee of \$15 for the materials and texts to be

used. The course consists of classes in boat handling, trailering, safe boating techniques, safety and legal requirements, navigation rules, aids to navigation, piloting, marine engines, marlinpike seamanship, basic sailing, radiotelephone, weather, locks and dams (inland waterways).

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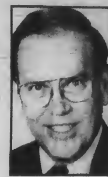
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Sept. 21—Session 1, How to S-T-R-E-T-C-H what you have, to do what you want!

Sept. 28—Session 2, Strategies to make the tax man unhappy!

Oct. 5—Session 3, Insurance: Way to protect the things and people you love!

Oct. 19—Session 4, Investing: Living with "Risk and Reward" without losing sleep!

Oct. 26—Session 5, Estate Planning: Not "A State Planning!"

This program has already been taught in a number of churches and to associations state-wide.

The program will begin each Wednesday evening at 6:45 p.m. There is no charge for attending the program.

For additional information, contact Bob Graves at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church at 428-7727 or Joe Newman at 482-1602.

## Beth Chaverim breaks ground for synagogue

Congregation Beth Chaverim will break ground for its new synagogue at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 18 at the building site, Rosemont and Stoneshore Roads in Virginia Beach.

Congregation Beth Chaverim is the reform Jewish congregation of Virginia Beach and Chesapeake. For the past nine years, without a home of its own, the congregation has enjoyed the special experience of meeting at the Roman Catholic Church of the Ascension on Princess Anne Road. The relationship between the two congregations has been described by Bishop Walter Sullivan as one that is "unique in the world."

The September groundbreaking event will bring together members of the congregation, religious and

community leaders, as well as friends. Honored guests will include Virginia Beach Mayor Meyera Oberndorf and U.S. Representative Owen Pickett.

Earlier on that day, the congregation's Mens Club will erect a traditional Sukkah on the Rosemont Road and Stoneshore Road site. Then beginning at about noon, children from the congregation will decorate the Sukkah with the fruits of the season. From noon - 2 p.m., in leading up to the official groundbreaking event, traditional Jewish and Israeli music and dancing will take place.

Members of the Tidewater community are cordially invited to share in this occasion with members of the congregation.

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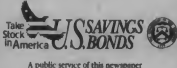
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## Very Important Pets get top-notch consideration on trips

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### Around The Travel World

By Charlotte  
Shepard, travel  
consultant

At the Four Seasons Hotel in Washington, D.C. dog guests are greeted with a silver tray of rawhide chews, Milk Bones, toys and bottle water. The hotel celebrates dog birthdays with a beef patty birthday cake and cards that read "Every Dog Has Its Day." Guess you have to translate it for your pet.

The Ritz-Carlton in Chicago accepts small pets, treating dogs to gourmet meals of chopped filet mignon; cats receive chicken liver paté.



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The hotel's guest recognition program tracks visitors who travel with pets, providing amenities on return

say such as welcome pillows and toys for pet "regulars."

The Pierre in New York sends up a dog biscuit with the dog's name spelled out in edible letters while cats are served fresh tuna on fine china with a small tureen of milk on the side.

Pets at The Pierre also sleep on wicker-basket beds with Italian linen mattress covers and toys provided by the hotel.

The Four Seasons Hotel in Boston offers canine guests German Shepherd's pie (ground beef with potatoes) or, for pets on a diet, barnyard chow (grilled chick with fresh corn).

For reservations and questions, call 1-800-332-3442. As of us would be lucky to be catered to as well as our pets are at these hotels!

Recently I had an opportunity to cruise on the Erie Canal, and it is still true about the low bridges. When the captain yells "down," all heads, including his had better duck. The Erie Canal cruise was a three-hour dinner cruise by some lovely upstate New York villages with quaint shops. There is a 1995 tour there from here being planned now.

The St. Christopher's Adventures tours are still booking. Edenton and Somerset is the October tour. A concert with the McGuire Sisters and a White House tour are on the December program. There's now one student for the group leaders' workshop, and I will set a date as soon as there is a small class. Call to join!

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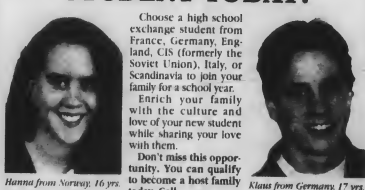
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### And the beat went on...

Overcoming less-than-perfect weather Saturday, the American Music Festival climaxed the Labor Day weekend Monday with rousing performances by The Temptations and The Beach Boys. Scenes from the weekend, clockwise top from left included: children like Sabrina Whitney of Falls Church, 5, enjoying a little fun in the sand; one man who wasn't shy about joining The Temptations on the Fifth Street Stage for an impromptu song; favorites of the '60s with the Temptations; a woman jamming to the beat of The Four Tops in her cool shades and funky, oversized hat; Mickey T the Clown entertaining Billy Amon of Virginia Beach, 8; a tourist getting the perfect view of the action from his hotel room balcony; The Beach Boys playing to a packed crowd; and, The Temptations wooing the audience.



Photos by Victoria Edwards  
and M.J. Knoblock



# MILITARY REPORT

## Beach man doing part in Haitian coast patrol efforts

Navy Lt. Terrence Mack, the son-in-law of Sharon Fierbee of Virginia Beach, is one of more than 3,000 Navy men and women and 2,000 Marines who patrol the waters just miles off the coast of Haiti.

Mack, who is married to the former Rhonda Russell, serves with Assault Craft Unit 4 and is currently embarked aboard USS Portland, a dock landing ship homeported in Norfolk. The mission of the ship is to transport and land amphibious vehicles and Marines during an amphibious assault.

"We're here in support of Operation Support Democracy in case the United States feels that force is required to conduct a non-combatant evacuation of American citizens in Haiti," the 26-year-old said.

He and the rest of the crew, which includes a Marine contingent, have spent the last four weeks steaming the Caribbean waters off Haiti as part of a four-ship amphibious ready group (ARG). The ARG augments combined forces assigned to enforce United Nations Security Council sanctions aimed at restoring democracy to Haiti.



Terrence Mack

The ARG also provides additional amphibious non-combatant evacuation operation capable forces. There are 12 Navy ships currently supporting Operation Support Democracy.

"The purpose of the amphibious ready group is to have an assault force that is capable of responding to any possible contingency at any place in the world with short notice," Mack said. "The Navy-Marine Corps team works together to de-

liver troops and equipment to a selected objective area."

The Sailors and Marines departed Norfolk and Morehead City, N.C., more than a month ago. Mack and the crew of Portland began their current mission just two weeks after they returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Indian Ocean.

As the detachment officer-in-charge of his unit, Mack plays an important role in the amphibious ready group.

"I'm responsible for the maintenance and operation of three landing craft air cushion (LCAC) and their crew and maintenance personnel," Mack said. "I assist my bosses with mission planning of beach assaults."

"Mack, a graduate of the University of South Carolina, said he joined the Navy in December 1989 for its educational opportunities.

"I've accomplished a lot. I have been in charge of six different divisions and two different LCAC detachments," he said. "And I have seen and helped many of my Sailors advance through their naval careers."

He joined the Marine Corps in September 1993.

His wife, Elizabeth, is the daughter of Amos and Deborah Hallenbeck, also of Virginia Beach.

### Martinez

Navy Airman Martin L. Martinez, whose wife, Amy, is the daughter of Bill and Pam Bower of Virginia Beach, recently received a Letter of Appreciation.

Martinez was cited for superior performance of duty while assigned with Sea Control Squadron 29, Naval Air Station North Island, San Diego.

He consistently performed his demanding duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. He joined the Navy in August 1988.

### Meads

FORT BRAGG, Fayetteville, N.C. — Army Spec. Michael R. Meads joined nearly 3,000 U.S. service members and thousands of World War II veterans on Omaha and Utah beaches in Normandy, France June 6 - 7 to pay tribute to the U.S. and its allies on the 50th anniversary of the D-Day invasion of Normandy.

The commemoration, officiated by President Bill Clinton and other allied government officials, honored D-Day and World War II veterans, and featured color guard ceremonies, re-enactments of U.S. amphibious troops landing on Omaha beach, and airborne troops landing in Normandy.

Meads, a combat engineer, is the son of Charles Meads of Virginia Beach.

The specialist is a 1989 graduate of Maury High School.

### Miller

Navy Petty Officer 1st Class Robert E. Miller, whose wife, Janet, is the daughter of Ollie and Catherine Simmons of Virginia Beach, recently reported for duty aboard the destroyer tender USS Shenandoah, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

He joined the Navy in August 1991.

### Phillips

Navy Airman Recruit Todd L. Phillips, son of DeWayne and Michelle Phillips of Virginia Beach, recently reported for duty with Strike Fighter Squadron 81, Naval Air Station, Cecil Field, Fla.

### Querry

Navy Lt. Cmdr. Brian D. Querry, whose wife, Kimberly, is the daughter of James C. Allen of Virginia Beach, recently reported for duty aboard the fast frigate USS Curtis, forward deployed in Yokosuka, Japan.

He joined the Navy in May 1980. Querry is a 1980 graduate of Juniata College, Huntingdon, Penn.

### Shum

Marine Pfc. Brandon A. Shum, son of Eugene and Kathy L. Shum of Virginia Beach, recently completed the Basic Metal Worker Course.

During the course at the Marine

Corps Engineer School, Camp Lejeune, N.C., students receive instruction on sheet metal working and electric arc, inert gas and oxy-acetylene welding.

### Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF LEE COUNTY, ALABAMA  
IN RE THE MARRIAGE OF:  
THELMA LOUISE CROSS,  
Plaintiff, vs.  
JAMES THOMAS CROSS,  
Defendant.

CASE NUMBER: DR-94-177  
NOTICE OF DIVORCE ACTION  
James Thomas Cross, whose whereabouts are otherwise unknown, to petitioner, must answer Thelma Louise Cross' petition for divorce and other relief by Sept. 16, 1994, or thereafter a Judgment by Default may be rendered against him in case number DR-177, Circuit Court of Lee County, Alabama.

Done this 16th day of August, 1994,  
Annette Hardy,  
Clerk of the Circuit Court of Lee County, Alabama.  
Walter M. Northcutt  
Attorney for Plaintiff  
Post Office Box 889  
Auburn, AL 36830  
(205) 826-0944

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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA  
IN THE MATTER OF:  
NATIONS BANK OF VIRGINIA, N.A., MARY ELIZABETH TATUM KOLLMANSPERGER AND TOY D. SAVAGE, JR., CO-EXECUTORS OF THE ESTATE OF JOHN W. TATUM, Deceased  
CHANCERY NO. 94-2804  
SHOW CAUSE ORDER

It appearing to the Court that a report of the accounts of NationsBank, Co-Executors of the Estate of John W. Tatum, Deceased, and of the debts and demands against the Estate, have been filed in the Clerk's Office of this Court and that more than six (6) months have elapsed since the qualification, on motion of the said NationsBank, Co-Executors of the Estate of John W. Tatum, Deceased, it is ORDERED, that the creditors of, and all others interested in, the Estate do show cause, if any they can, at 9:30 a.m. on the 30th day of September, 1994, before this court, in its Courtroom, against the payment and delivery of the Estate of John W. Tatum, Deceased, to the legatees without requiring refunding bonds.

It is further ORDERED that this Show Cause Order be published once a week for two successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia.

Certified to be TRUE COPY of record in my custody.

J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
Circuit Court, Virginia Beach, Va.

By: RAYMOND W.

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1800 NationsBank Center  
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(804) 628-5513

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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT  
CLERK'S OFFICE  
IN RE: Emma Dean Gilmore, Plaintiff vs.  
Mack Gilmore, Defendant

Case No. CH94-2509

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for The said Plaintiff to obtain a divorce A Vinculo Matrimonii from the said Defendant on the grounds that the parties have lived separate and apart without interruption and without cohabitation exceeding a period over one year.

It is ORDERED that Mack Gilmore appear and protect his interest, on or before September 29, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 26, 1994

J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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### Public Notice

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF BT VENTURE PARTNERS

Tom G. Thornburg, one of the two general partners of BT VENTURE PARTNERS (the "Partnership"), has sold his general partnership interest in the Partnership to Boddie Investment Company, the other general partner of the Partnership, and the Partnership has been dissolved. Boddie Investment Company will continue the business formerly conducted by the Partnership without liquidation of the partnership assets.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE WITHDRAWAL OF TOM G. THORNBURG FROM THE PARTNERSHIP, OF THE TRANSFER OF THE PARTNERSHIP'S PROPERTY TO BODDIE INVESTMENT COMPANY AND OF THE DISSOLUTION OF BT VENTURE PARTNERS.

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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT  
CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: KATHARINE JANE (CARROLL) DONAHUE, Plaintiff vs.  
PETER LEE DONAHUE, Defendant

Case No. CH94-2732

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is for the said Plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said Defendant, upon the grounds of desertion and/or 12 months separation.

It is ORDERED that PETER LEE DONAHUE appear and protect his interest, on or before October 14th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 23, 1994

J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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49-235

### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT  
CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: Georgiana Jordan Bamie, aka Georgiana Jordan Cotton, Plaintiff vs.

George Cotton, Defendant

Case No. CH94-1976

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is for the said Plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said Defendant on the grounds of a one year separation.

It is ORDERED that George

Cotton appear and protect his interest, on or before October 13th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 22, 1994

J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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49-235

### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, on the 25th day of August, 1994.

In re: Name Change - Regina Sike Brown

By: Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner,

To: Reginald William Brown

IN CHANCERY #94-2817

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

This day came Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner, and represented that the object of this proceeding is to effect the name change of the above named infant, Regina Sike Brown to be known as Regina Sike Hemingway, and affidavit having been made and filed the Reginald William Brown, a natural parent of said child, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, the last known post office address being: in the State of Illinois (street address unknown).

It is therefore Ordered that the said Reginald William Brown appear before this Court within ten (10) days after publication of this Order and indicate his attitude toward the proposed adoption, or otherwise do what is necessary to protect his interest in this matter.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once each week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

A copy to:

J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk

By: Tammy Mening, D.C.

Michael R. Davis, p.c.  
One Columbus Center  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

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49-235

### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT  
CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: The adoption of Amanda Lynn Gruber by John Norfolk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is for John Norfolk to adopt Amanda Lynn Gruber.

It is ORDERED that Mark Wesley Brady appear and protect his interest, on or before October 17th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

Date: August 26, 1994

A copy to:

J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk

By: Tammy Mening, D.C.

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### Public Notice

Chesapeake City Jail —

Elevators

Plans are available at Armada/Hoffler Construction Company for a bid approximately September 16, 1994.

Project mobilization date is October 17, 1994

Project Duration: 160 days

Note: Reminder of the project will be bid separately.

Please contact Tim Meinhardt (Project Manager) or Debbie Hindle (Project Management Assistant) at 804/366-6653.

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### Public Notice

Virginia:

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, September 27, 1994 at 6:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING

DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

1.

An Ordinance upon Application of Courthouse Baptist Church for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 Agricultural District to R-10 Residential District on certain property located 600 feet southwest of Princess Anne Road, .3 mile

northwest of Glebe Road. The proposed zoning classification change to R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet.

The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for agricultural, commercial and residential uses in accordance with Plan policies regarding Transition Area 1. Said parcel contains 20.64 acres.

PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:

PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

2.

An Ordinance upon Application of Courthouse Baptist Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a church (modification) on the southwest side of Princess Anne Road, .3 mile northwest of Glebe Road. Said parcel is located at 2641 Princess Anne Road and contains 11.22 acres.

PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

MODIFICATION OF

CONDITIONS:

PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

3.

An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Beach Economic Development Authority for the Modification of Conditions placed on this site to allow additional permitted uses and develop a village center concept within a 20.0145 acre portion of the MXD2 District and described as: "AREA = 1,046,971 sq. ft. 24.0145 ACRES" on that certain plat entitled "CORPORATE LANDING,"

LANLEY AND McDONALD ENGINEERS, PLANNERS, SURVEYORS." Property is located on the west side of General Booth Boulevard 1,800' north of London Bridge Road. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AEE  
City Clerk

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### Public Notice

Auction: 1982 PONTIAC J-2000 (6418)

Serial Number: #1GAB35G7C7374701

Auction Date: SEPTEMBER 27, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

Norfolk Motor Company Reserves the right to Bid.

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### Public Notice

Auction: 1980 SUBARU GL (6661)

Serial Number: #J1FA2F1A-G402237

Auction Date: SEPTEMBER 27, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

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### Public Notice

Auction: 1984 TOYOTA TERCEL (6523)

Serial Number: #JT2AL31G5E0-18538

Auction Date: SEPTEMBER 10, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

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### Public Notice

Auction: 1984 TOYOTA TERCEL (6523)

Serial Number: #JT2AL31G5E0-18538

Auction Date: SEPTEMBER 10, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

Norfolk Motor Company Reserves the right to Bid.

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### Public Notice

Auction: 1978 FORD MUSTANG (6326)

Serial Number: #8F02Y107643

Auction Date: SEPTEMBER 22, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

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Auction: 1984 CHEVY CITATION (6613)

Serial Number: #1G1AX68XOE-T100456

Auction Date: SEPTEMBER 27, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

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## MILITARY UPDATE

### Broadway

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Mitchell D. Broadway, whose wife, Elisa, is the daughter of Steve and Nancy Smith of Virginia Beach, recently returned from a six-month Mediterranean Sea deployment aboard the destroyer USS Comde De Grasse, homeported in Norfolk, as part of the aircraft carrier USS Saratoga Joint Task Group.

Broadway's ship served as U.S. representative to NATO Standing Naval Force Mediterranean. Under NATO





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# Beach blast fans crowd oceanfront

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"They're part of our era."

Gillespie brought his son Kavan, 5, to the beach to hear them play. But Kavan was more interested in digging holes in the sand.

Angela Gruber, 6, of Fleetwood, Penn., was also interested in playing in the sand and wading in the water. But her grandfather, Dennis Spagnuolo of Hopewell, came to Virginia Beach to visit the American Music Festival and especially to hear the "golden boys of summer."

"That was my age group," he explained, back when I was a kid."

Spagnuolo liked the idea of the Beach Boys playing at the oceanfront.

"I think it's great putting the Beach Boys on the beach; you can't beat it," he said.

Jeff Pavur from Holland, Penn. gave his son, David, a shoulder-

high ride along the beach, in hopes of getting a glimpse of the various bands after they came on stage.

"We came down to have a vacation and we knew what was playing, so it was an added attraction," he said. "I think it's a neat idea."

**"We came down to have a vacation and we knew what was playing . . . I think it's a neat idea."**

Jeff Pavur  
Beach tourist

Although the weather almost didn't cooperate, Saturday the event proved a success with the weather taking a turn for the better Sunday and Monday.

"To see the Beach Boys on the Beach . . . that was key. That was cool," said Beroth.



The only articles Rob and Jodi Stevens of Virginia Beach brought to the American Music Festival were a blanket and sweaters for comfort as they grooved to the sounds of 45 bands.

## "Mr. Seatack" recognized by Crime Solvers

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somebody coming to yours and they didn't look quite right, somebody would stop them and ask where they were going."

Things have changed and so has the old neighborhood.

"I was born in a house that sat just a couple of feet from the Virginia Beach Courthouse," he laughed. "I tell people the city built that in honor of my birthplace."

Two large oak trees sat near his birthplace. Not long ago one of the large oaks was cut down.

"I tell people they are keeping that one to keep my memory alive," he joked.

Certainly no building or tree could do justice to this modest man who has given so much to his neighborhood. Parsons reluctantly admitted that he's been honored many times by residents and citizens group who have been touched by his generosity.

"This came from a church," he said, displaying the prestigious Martin Luther King Award. "I didn't know they even knew me."



Photo by Seath, Torrey

Long-time Virginia Beach Crime Solvers supporter Aaron Parsons of the Seatack community was honored Tuesday upon retiring from the Crime Solvers Board. Parsons joined the organization when it was founded in 1982. George Duvall, second from left, presents Parsons with a plaque as Chairman of Public Relations Bill Meyers, right, and Al Kraft, founding chairman, watch.

## Russian family experiences Beach life

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so much in Russia." Jessica noted, "Alex could go backward, forward and everything else when he put them on."

The size and variety of stores Virginia Beach offered sometimes boggled the Russian visitors' minds.

"The first time we took them to a grocery store," Parker laughed, "Alla just looked around and exclaimed, 'So much food! How do you choose?'"

Referring to the souvenir stores along The Strip, Alla asked, "Why do they all sell the same things?"

To hold all the possessions they accumulated on shopping expeditions, the Kolesniks bought two suitcases. They definitely needed them, considering all their purchases, including T-shirts, shoes, dresses, the skates and RevereWare™ pots and pans.

"And they filled the luggage all up," Casey assured.

"Plus they have videotaped everything since they arrived!" Jessica echoed.

As a reminder of their visit to America, the Parkers presented the Russian travelers with a dolphin statue and plenty of Magic Shell™ ice cream topping, which the Kolesniks grew to love during their stay.

Before leaving, however, the Russian family made their own observations about American culture, just as Parker and her family did on their trip to Russia.

"I remember when we were coming from the airport, Alex kept saying he was amazed at all the women driving," Parker noted.

Alla reflected on the kindness of her hosts and wondered if all Americans are like that.

"People are the same everywhere," she explained, "but people are still different in character. Some are mean and

wicked; some are kind. Nancy is one of the kind, caring ones. She is ready to do anything to help people."

Alla was also amazed at how everyone in Virginia Beach smiled at her.

"You will never find someone in Moscow who will smile at you (especially if you don't know them). It is much too crowded," she surmised.

Parker also made a couple of assessments; first, teens worldwide enjoy the same pastimes.

"The young people got along great. It's because no matter where they are, they have common interests. For my daughters and Tanya and Alex, it was nino, Uno™ (a card game) and computer games," she said.

Parker added that after seeing Alla's amazement at her home, she won't take her life for granted.

**"Alla told me she had dreamed of a big bathroom with lots of mirrors."**

Nancy Parker,  
Virginia Beach City Council

"Alla told me she had dreamed of a big bathroom with lots of mirrors because they don't have any like that in Russia. It makes you think about what you have," she said.

The Parkers departed for Washington, D.C. Friday, where they stayed overnight before visiting the White House and helping their guests board the plane back to Moscow.

Will the Kolesniks and Parkers maintain contact?

"Yes," each mother promised, "but probably by mail."

"You should see my phone bill," Parker laughed. "Prior to this visit it doubled. So I don't imagine we'll talk on the phone too much."

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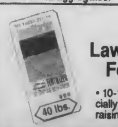


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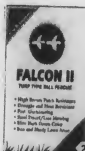


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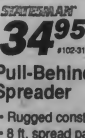
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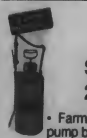
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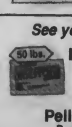
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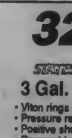
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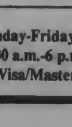


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## They OK'ed election plan, but do locals understand it?

Council probes solution to public's confusion about it

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

Did all those Virginia Beach citizens who voted in the May election to change the city's method of electing city council know what they were doing?

That seems to be the problem the present city council has set out to solve.

A clear majority of the voters in the May advisory referendum favored an electoral plan calling for redistricting the city into seven boroughs or districts of approximately equal population, having each district vote for its own representative and electing four large members, including the mayor, at large. It would be a combination ward/at-large system.

To get the question on the ballot, citizens (led by the Council of Civic Organizations) circulated a petition and got the required 22,759 signatures.

Although council is not bound by the referendum legally, politically it would be expected to listen to the will of the majority and request the General Assembly to change the city's electoral system. The plan would then have to be submitted to the Justice Department.

But after the election, some citizens

who are members of civic leagues within the CCO said they did not support the change at least not the way it was on the ballot. Council members also expressed some reservations about whether the referendum really reflected the will of the people. So two public hearings were scheduled, one this Tuesday and the next on Sept. 27.

But this week speakers against a change said that the question was not fair, that most people agreed that the city's districts should be reapportioned to reflect the population more fairly, but did not agree with the single-district voting aspect.

Others said the voters were misled by the supporters of the plan and did not really know what they were voting for. On the same ballot were more than 40 candidates for the school board and city council.

The council presently is elected at-large; all the citizens vote for all 11 members, but seven of the members are elected from the representative boroughs.

The argument on reapportionment and ward versus at-large system has been going on for years with a number of citizens, some council members, liking things the

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## Critter cameraman gets back to nature

Waverly Traylor captures animals on film, dreams of rehab center

By VICTORIA EDWARDS  
Sun Editor

When Waverly Traylor is on a deep woods mission, he prefers to become one with nature.

Usually this means he'll forgo deodorant, aftershave, even protective bug repellent and other man-made scents to really get into the his job.

Yet he's not a big game hunter. Instead, he prefers to shoot animals in a different way — with his trusty camera.

Home base is his Birchwood residence off Rosemont Road, where he plans his frequent trips to the great outdoors with the strategy of a general.

Raised on a farm in Chesterfield County, this nature photographer has always enjoyed a healthy fascination with critters.

"I remember as a child I could even get the animals to come up to me. We had a little family of flying squirrel babies that were abandoned, which I raised. I also developed a real healthy fear of



Photos by Victoria Edwards

Waverly Traylor can sit like this for hours awaiting the perfect picture of wildlife in a natural setting. Luckily, this little possum was an enthusiastic subject for photographing.

snakes after I went to bed one night — I pulled the covers back and found a snake," Traylor recalled.

Growing up in the county, like many people he had a special interest in man's four-legged friends, but it wasn't until years

later that his love bloomed.

"I think it was about 1987 when my wife, Margaret, and I celebrated our 20th anniversary. We took a cruise to the Caribbean, so that's when I bought my first serious camera," he said.

Two years later, the Traylor's decided to visit Waverly's sister in Northfield, Minn., and his animal fascination took shape.

"My sister's is a wildlife fanatic and always has been. She got her master's degree in wolf behavior and is assistant director for the Tiger Species Survival Program International, and my brother-in-law is a zookeeper. So anyway, there isn't too much to do up there when they were working except go the zoo, where I spent a lot of time with my camera."

Traylor's interest kicked in. He got his business license and started working as a nature photographer on the side.

"It was serious. I got some serious equipment and was spending time in the zoos, parks, in the woods, the back yard or wherever," he explained.

In January 1993, he was asked to address endangered species to the local Audubon Society, of which he is a member. The talk went over well. Within days he was asked to give another presentation.

From there it snowballed. The Traylor's soon began their own wildlife rescue squad. Their services, like Traylor's group presentations, are free of charge.

"I've had to go into houses and actually remove the panels off of woodstoves to get the animals out. But we've rescued a

**"I have to know the animal's behavior in order to take the pictures, but then I know more about the animal's behavior by working with them directly. Then, I can catch the animal easier because I watch..."**

Waverly Traylor,  
nature photographer

little bit of everything, like baby squirrels in the attic when their mother was killed," he stated.

**Traylor's second career** as a freelance wildlife photographer (by trade he is a technical writer for a military contractor) ties in uniquely with the animal rescue and rehabilitation services.

"I have to know the animal's behavior in order to take the pictures, but then I know more about the animal's behavior by working with them directly. Then, I can catch the animal easier because I watch them carefully to take pictures," he said.

Patience is indeed a virtue when it comes to Traylor's photography. Often he will spend four, five or six hours awaiting that one, perfect shot. He

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## Schools' employee plan gets clean bill of health

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

The city will save \$1.5 million in employee health care costs in 1995 (compared to 1994), while employees will be paying \$2.6 million less as their share of the cost.

Dr. Donald A. Peccia, director of Personnel Services for the schools, and Lynn Sachs, benefits coordinator, took the good news to Virginia Beach City Council at a work session Tuesday. The program marks the second year of coordinating the city's and school system's health care programs.

Employees have the choice of three HMO (Health Maintenance Organizations) plans: Health First/Priority, Sentara and Optima and the Trigon Blue Cross/Blue Shield Keycare preferred provider plan.

The Keycare plan offers a 5-percent reduction in all categories of coverage with a rate cap of 5 percent for 1996 and 1997.

The Trigon plan, while more expensive than an HMO, offers freedom of choice to select hospitals and physicians. The plan also has

higher out-of-pocket costs than an HMO and less comprehensive benefits and no vision benefits.

The HMOs have no rate increases and in many categories have rate decreases (from 1994 to 1995 the decreases will range from 2 percent to 11 percent; from 1993 to 1995 the decreases range from 26.19 percent to 99.27 percent. In 1995, the subscriber minor and family categories will have the greatest premium reductions. Rates are guaranteed not to exceed an increase of 5 percent in 1996 and 1997.

Although the plans were the result of a cooperative effort between the school board and the city, in some instances the premium costs differ with costs on the city side higher.

The employee and employer share the cost of the insurance with the city paying the greater amount. For instance, under the Sentara Health Plan, the 1995 subscriber rate (employee) is \$170.20, of which the employee will pay 20 cents. Under the Trigon plan, the rate is \$191.16 a month with the employee paying \$21.16.



"Hey, don't get too close to the ear!" Nature photographer Waverly Traylor doesn't mind critters climbing on him, so long as they don't bite. Sometimes, however, he's not so lucky.

## Sandbridge pig picking has become community tradition



Capt. Jim Donnelly, Rick Kephart and Bruce McClung of the Sandbridge Fire Department showed off one of unit's trucks and promoted fire safety at the annual pig picking.

By M.J. KNOBLOCK  
Sun Correspondent

The smell of food mingled with the salt air, tantalizing the noses of people waiting in line at the 15th Annual Sandbridge Fire and Rescue Brigade Pig Picking Saturday afternoon.

The line, which snaked about the Little Island Park parking lot, ended in long tables full of food, including barbecue sandwiches, chicken, baked beans, ice cream and many other items.

Proceeds of the event go to the rescue squad. The funding allows it to serve the Sandbridge community throughout the year.

"This is what lets us live," said Sam Ames, rescue squad treasurer, as he sat eating with his wife, Lovie. "This is probably the best crowd we've had in the 15 years we've been doing it. We sold so many tickets, we had to go get more tickets made."

Ames said that part of the reason the event is held after Labor Day is so more Sandbridge residents can attend.

"They're great people, fine people — the most loyal people living in

Sandbridge," said Ames of his fellow rescue squad volunteers.

Gloria Harris, a Lagomar resident, was there to support the squad.

"My husband was on the rescue squad," said Harris. "I think it's great for them to be out there. This community couldn't survive without the rescue squad. This is a really small community."

**"This is probably the best crowd we've had in the 15 years we've been doing it."**

Sam Ames,  
Sandbridge Rescue Squad  
treasurer

Harris said that when there is a call, the squad members usually know the victim, and this is a major reason why there is so much support for them within the community. They know each other.

Elaine McIntosh, a Sandbridge resident, brought her daughter and granddaughter to the annual event.

Her granddaughter, Rachel Spina, 1, stood giggling on a picnic table, as McIntosh watched.

"I think they do a wonderful job, and they're always here when you need them," McIntosh said of the Sandbridge Fire and Rescue Brigade. "They have a wonderful training program for CPR and first aid. All you have to do is call them, and they're there."

Capt. Jim Donnelly of the fire department leaned against the fire truck in the parking lot grinning. He and a few others spent the day "showing off the truck," handing out coloring books to the local children and teaching them and their parents about fire safety.

"Basically, part of our job is to be part of the community, and this is a community event," said Donnelly.

Donnelly thought the turnout was great.

"We've been here for three years, and this is the biggest crowd I've seen," he said. "This is a sellout."

Across the parking lot, the food line continued to snake out from

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# Commentary

## Set your priorities

When you flipped your calendar to September a couple of weeks ago, you may have seen a new observance, National Priorities Week, set for Sept. 18-24. To mark the event, take the opportunity to make better productivity a higher priority.

All too often, people are caught up in their own "busy-ness," sure that no one's life is more hectic than their own. But research by the Chase's International Directory shows that, for example, white collar productivity in the United States is at a standstill. Perhaps in a week's time you attended 15 meetings, wrote 10 memos and fielded 25 phone calls. Surely you were productive, right?

Not necessarily. Too many well-meaning people get caught up in busy work, which leaves them exhausted but no closer than their goals.

The key to improved productivity, whether you are a homemaker, rocket scientist or teacher, is to start with changing the "business" environment. Take control of your time and improve your own productivity during National Priorities Week by following a simple, seven-day regimen. By focusing on one area daily, you may be surprised at the great strides you make in improving your effectiveness and satisfaction in the work you complete:

■ **Day One** — Achieve personal "synergy." The initial step is to link what you stand for, or your values, to what you want to accomplish, or your vision. Build on this synergy by creating a mission statement that outlines precisely where you want to go and what it takes to get there. The result? Motivation.

■ **Day Two** — Equip yourself for success. Good performance requires an investment in the appropriate resources. Maybe you need more education or a personal computer to get you in line for meeting your goals.

■ **Day Three** — Take first things first. Learn to distinguish between the "important" and the "urgent." It is imperative to tackle jobs in the order of importance rather than what comes up first.

■ **Day Four** — Find the delicate balance. Really productive people find a balance between quantity and quality. Take stock, not only of what you do, but how you do it. Strive to maintain this balance.

■ **Day Five** — Go beyond the call of duty. Maybe you do this already, but true high-productivity people take personal responsibility for fulfillment of tasks and projects. Take ownership of your duties. Remember the adage, "If you want it done right, do it yourself."

■ **Day Six** — Learn the power of persuasion. Although it is necessary to take charge of your duties and go above and beyond, it is also vital to recognize the importance of teamwork. Take stock of your own skills and identify the needed steps to influence the behavior and attitude of others.

■ **Day Seven** — Commit to learning. In a world that is constantly changing, your ability to learn is closely tied to your productivity now and in the future. Make an effort to engage in continuous learning and, in turn, ever-developing improvement.

Seven steps, seven days. Try it for a week and see where your productivity may take you. — V.L.E.

Chere Simons of Priority Management Systems in Virginia Beach contributed to this editorial.

## Farewell to the golden days, rays of summer

As one of the lucky few who got to work Labor Day (do I detect a little sarcasm here?), I got to cover the ultimate beach blast on the Virginia Beach oceanfront and take pictures of the American Music Festival.

As I pushed my way through the crowd toting my 50-pound camera bag, I paused for a moment, looked around and hit a realization.

"Summer is gone! This is it!" I said aloud, realizing the beach tourists were probably saying, "This crazy woman is talking to herself."

With that sudden thought, I pounded my head as strains from The Temptations and The Four Tops singing "My Girl" and other 1960s hits filled the air. I was very sad indeed, despite the festive atmosphere.

Yes, the end of summer! Those days where the heat shimmers off the blacktop will soon cease. Vendors will pack up their gear along the boardwalk, waiting out the long fall and winter for spring. Stores will start pushing Halloween candy and Santa stocking stuffers.

It's amazing how time flies when you're not paying attention. The reason I was so sad Labor Day was the happy sounds of The Four Tops and The Temptations filled the air because I did nothing to celebrate the joy that is summer.

Nope, I never went to the beach. Never savored that hot dog on the boardwalk. Never shopped the summer sales. Never even baked my brains in the sun in attempts to get a tan on my ghostly-white body.

Now it's fall, although the calendar won't officially say so until Sept. 21. But I really and truly know Au-

turn is here because the big, yellow school buses are picking up their precious loads as I drive to work. Carloads of vacationing families with luggage tied to the roof aren't dotting the highways. And, if you follow Miss Emily Post's etiquette, you aren't supposed to wear white clothes or sandals anymore.

Somewhere in the hubbub of "life in the fast lane"—work, buying a house and planning for my wedding—I lost those cherished sunny days of summer.

But how to recapture them? I suppose. Even and I could speed on over to Dourmar's Drive-In and savor a chocolate cone like we used to do in our first courting days. We could take a picnic to the Botanical Gardens and enjoy fried children by the big pond. Heck, even just a walk along the beach would be heaven.

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So I will wait for the golden days of summer again. I'll go through the windy fall, the blustery winter and the rainy spring with great anticipation.

But when June 21 hits, watch out, because this chick will be stretched out in the sand, trashy novel in hand, sipping a soda and basking in the rays!

The special assembly session called by Gov. George Allen to consider his proposals to end Virginia's "lenient, liberal" parole system and make ten years mean 10 years, etc., will convene Sept. 19.

As commission member Sen. Edward Holland, D-Arlington, said, "... we're getting ready to promise something that I hope to the Lord we can deliver."

Say we all.

The Subcommittee on Implementation of the Governor's Commission on Parole Abolition and Sentencing Reform recently issued its report. The vital parts are:

■ Abolish parole for all persons convicted after Jan. 1, 1995 — those already in the system will be grandfathered under the old rules.

■ Establish a permanent commission to promulgate sentencing guidelines, subject to legislative approval, and monitor trends in light of prison capacity, etc.

■ Judges will retain discretion to depart from the sentencing guidelines, but must state their reasons in writing.

■ Jury sentencing retained; subcommittee notes that juries hear only 5 percent of criminal cases.

■ Increase by 100 percent the average times served by violent, first offenders.

■ Increase by 300 percent to 700 percent the time served by violent offenders with prior records — crimes of violence to include burglary under certain circumstances and the sale of hard drugs in quantities of 10 grams or more.

■ Replace the present system of awarding "good time" with credits for good behavior which can't exceed 15 percent of the sentence.

■ Period of post-release supervision to be included in original sentence.

The subcommittee presented graphs comparing the average time

now served for various serious crime with the average time it says would be served under its proposal.

Taking one category only — robbery with a firearm — we find the present, average time served in a basic case at 2.7 years; 3.8 years in a more serious case; and 4.1 years in the most serious. The study group would make that 5.4 years, 10.8 years and 21.6 years.

The report concluded with this statement: "Once these recommendations are enacted into law, judges and juries will be fully empowered to hand down sentences that represent actual time to be served..."

And Virginia's citizens will finally have a criminal justice system they can trust."

The tricky part comes in reconciling this brave talk with the projected cost of new prison space. The Allen administration says the state must spend about \$850 million for new prisons in the next 10 years.

But, it adds, \$600 million would be needed even without sentencing reform. As cheap as that, eh?

**The tricky part comes in reconciling this brave talk...**

If true, one explanation may be found in this language from the subcommittee's report: "Initial guidelines for each offense will be determined by taking the average time served for that offense during 1988-92 and increasing it by 15 percent."

The baseline will be increased for certain violent and repeat offenders."

Note that under the plan prisoners can earn a maximum credit of 15 percent off for good behavior.

Does it mean that new prisoners won't be serving much longer than old prisoners? Not so, says the subcommittee, "only model prisoners will serve the same amount of time under the 'truth-in-sentencing' system as they would have served under the current system."

We might gain an inkling of what it all means from data supplied by the state's Criminal Justice Research Center. It estimated that Allen's plan will require only 3,000 more prison beds by 2005.

That's no big deal when you consider the same outfit tells us our prison population will more than double over the next ten years, to something between 50,000 and 55,000.

Common sense suggests the only way Allen can achieve his goal of incarcerating more serious criminals for much longer periods without exploding the prison population is by reducing the time served for less serious offenses.

If there's a criticism of the governor's commission, it would be that it's heavy with prosecuting attorneys and light on those with online experience managing prisoners. And by focusing on adult offenders, it may be ignoring its own stipulation that "most criminal careers begin around age 14 and peak by age 21."

If so, a thorough revamping of juvenile justice might be the higher priority. It must also be said that reforms similar to these have been tried in other states and the federal system without producing spectacular results.

Still, it's hard to argue with the governor's basic premise: Once you have a person of established criminal habits, it costs society less to keep him in jail than to turn him out.

Based only on actual convictions subsequent to the release of prisoners during 1986-93, the commission says that had the Allen plan been in effect, 4,400 felonies, including 78 homicides and 151 rapes, wouldn't have been taken place.

Adjusting for the gap between convictions obtained and crimes reported, it claims almost 200,000 felonies would have been averted.

Using simple math and assuming only half of what is claimed here will transpire, it would cost taxpayers roughly \$7,500 for each felony that never happened because the statistical perpetrator was still behind bars. Warning: Here we trespass in the realm of metaphysics.

But you look at the breeding grounds of crime and know it's a growth industry for the simple reason our society is turning out millions of people who have no real place in the world of lawful work.

Ray Garland is a syndicated columnist who writes for Associated Features.

## Sound off with the

### "Sounding Board"

"Sounding Board," a local talk show on public television Channel WCTV-23 located in Chesapeake, moderated by Sid Oman (former

mayor of Chesapeake and Elizabeth City, N.C.), continues to hold its own with the three network shows with guests at the local, state and national level.

Last Friday U.S. Senate candidate Oliver North was a guest on the program with former Gov.

Doug Wilder, Chuck Robb and Marshall Coleman scheduled to appear in the near future.

Interviewing politicians and celebrities is nothing new to Oman. He served as public relations director for the city of Norfolk and as moderator of a WAVY-TV series, also called "Sounding Board."

In the five years he held that job, Oman interviewed (for television) Lyndon Johnson, the vice president, Barry Goldwater, the Rev. Billy Graham, Attorney General Robert Kennedy, Sen. John Connally, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee and screen stars Mae West, Jane Mansfield and many others.

Oman's first experience in television came while working "with a cigar smoking" comedian named Ernie Kovacs in Trenton, N.J.

Oman and Kovacs formed a group called the "Cathedral Players." During the Cathedral Players days, Kovacs originated a pantomime gorilla band which later on was to become the famous "Nairobi Trio." Oman was the original drummer in that trio.

Oman and his sidekick, Dennis McCurdy on "Sounding Board," have contributed significantly to the success of WCTV-23 now enjoys under the directorship of Mark Cox and Myer Davis.

During the last gubernatorial campaign, Sounding Board had as its guest candidates now Gov. George Allen and loser Mary Sue Terry. Congressional candidates scheduled to appear are Republican George Sweet and Democrat candidate incumbent Norman Sisisky.

All of the candidates for Chesapeake City Council and mayor have also appeared on "Sounding Board." Other Hampton Roads cities would do well to have a program of this standard. Too bad they can't tune into Chesapeake's WCTV-23.

Welcome to the real world.

Sid Oman, former mayor of Chesapeake, and Ollie North take the airwaves on "Sounding Board."

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## Pondering the perils of military care

Many of us in the military community are watching with interest as the debate over a national health care proposal continues. Although the following story is unfortunately true, I have chosen to fictionalize the physical troubles that had me scurrying to military doctors recently.

I was trying my column one morning when my arm fell off. I hurried to the telephone and quickly dialed the central number for making appointments at local military medical facilities. I requested an appointment at a nearby clinic because I didn't think a woman with only one good arm should drive too far.

"They can't see you," the representative told me. "They used to see women whose arms fell off, but now they don't."

She told me I would have to go to the emergency room at Portsmouth Naval Hospital. My husband drove home (it's an hour trip) and drove the 90-minute drive to Portsmouth.

"Wow," a corpsman exclaimed as I came through the door carrying my arm in a Food Lion bag. "Your arm fell off. Fill out these forms and somebody will see you soon."

The forms asked for my address, which seemed kind of silly since that information is already available by computer. I dutifully completed the forms listing my address, age and last menstrual period several times.

Another corpsman took my vital signs. He seemed not to notice the Food Lion bag with my arm in it that I plopped on his desk. He then asked me the same questions I'd answered on the forms. He wrote, and wrote and wrote.

"You know," I told him, "I'd four doctors have written this same history by hand."

"Uhmm, hmmm," he said. That's medical speak for, "I'm not really listening but I've made a polite sound so you will think I am."

He continued to write. I was taken to a curtained-off area where I stripped and put on a hospital gown and waited for a doctor.

"Your arm has fallen off," the doctor said soberly as he probed around the Food Lion bag touching my fingers and noting that there was still good color in the arm.

He wrote a page of my medical history. I answered all the same questions for him that I had answered on the forms and for the corpsman.

"There's really nothing we can do about your arm," he told me. "I'll have another doctor come and look at it. But I think you should go home and rest until it feels better. Then you should go back to the clinic for a follow up appointment."

I walked back to the waiting room still carrying my arm in the Food Lion bag.

"They all agree, it fell off," I told my husband.

"Where are they going to do about it?" he asked.

"Nothing," I said. "This isn't the right place for that. They told me to go back to the clinic."

The following morning I tele-

phoned the appointment representative again.

"We don't see women whose arms have fallen off," she reminded me. "I know," I said. "So sign me up for a mammogram and a pap smear," I said.

"Would you like morning or afternoon?" she suddenly friendly representative said.

"Morning would be terrific," I told her. She quickly gave me an appointment time.

"Why are you here for a mammogram and a pap smear?" the doctor said when I met her at the designated appointment time. "You should be seeing somebody about that arm problem."

"My appointment representative says nobody does arms in military clinics anymore," I told her. "I thought I should get in here quick before the doctors who do the pap smears and mammograms go away too," I said.

"Smart thinking," the doctor agreed as she scribbled on my chart. She asked me the same questions all of the other doctors had asked.

Statistically speaking, it was a successful visit; I was in and out of the examining room in 7.5 minutes. I didn't make any unusual demands, ask any difficult questions or insist that my arm needed immediate attention.

When all of the paperwork was completed I went home, carrying my arm in a Food Lion bag.

**I walked back to the waiting room still carrying my arm...**

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# Vive le Neptune! 21st annual festival promises family fun

## Special to the Sun

Looking for some weekend fun to carry you through September? Then don't forget this month means it's Neptune Festival time!

The Neptune Festival Country Fair Days is set for Saturday from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. It will be held at the Virginia Beach Farmer's Market on the corner of Landtown Road and Princess Anne Road.

"This is a family-oriented event during the Neptune Festival," said George Denice, coordinator of the Fair Day this year. "With the various exhibits, contests, and entertainment, it's ideal for children. We expect between 20,000 and 30,000 people to attend."

This year's contests include a pig race, hamster dash, tractor pull, cooking and corn shucking. There will be country-style food for sale and many displays and exhibits, as well as pony rides and a petting zoo.

John Keeling and his Pure Country Band and the Mason Creek Band are headlining the Fair Day entertainment. King Neptune is also scheduled to come by for lunch. The Virginia Beach Department of Agriculture is co-sponsoring the event.

**The 12th annual Neptune Festival Sandman Triathlon** is set for Sunday starting at 8 a.m. on Atlantic Avenue at 31st Street.

"This is truly one of the most challenging events on the East Coast," said Betty Belknap, coordinator for the triathlon. "The swim segment of the competition can make this particularly interesting because of the ocean's changing conditions."

Three athletic events make up the triathlon. It begins with an open-ocean swim of 1K (.62 miles), proceeding to a 14-mile bicycle ride, and ends with a 5K (3.1 miles) run. To register, the entry package must be picked up at the Virginia Beach Junior High School, located at 25th Street and Mediterranean Avenue, Saturday, from 2 to 6 p.m. The cost is \$50 and participants must present their Tri-Ped card at that time. Non-members may purchase a one-day permit for \$5.

The Sandman Triathlon is sponsored by Ferguson Enterprises/Schell Division. Proceeds go to benefit the Youth Programs at Virginia Beach YMCA at Mt. Trashmore. For more information, call 428-7011.

**The Neptune Festival Open Golf Tournament** is set for Saturday, Sept. 24 at Hill's Point Golf Course. Preferred crossover start times chosen by the players will be from 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. with play finishing around 7 p.m.

"We have several flights so golfers of all skill levels can compete," said Tom Stevenson, coordinator of the tournament this year. "We expect 160 to 260 participants in this Florida Best Ball-style."

The cost is \$300 per four person team. This fee includes green fees, a cart, refreshments, and a pig and chicken barbecue. Registration is required by Thursday, Sept. 22. More than \$3,500 in prizes will be awarded.

Affordable Securities/An Abacus Co. is the sponsor of the tournament. For more information, call 498-0215.

**The Neptune Festival Surfing Classic** will begin Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 24 and 25, and conclude the following weekend, Oct. 1 - 2. The contest will take place on the oceanfront on the south side of the Virginia Beach Pier at 14th Street and starting at 8 a.m. each day.

"This Surfing Classic is a premier event on the East Coast. It is known for originating new formats for competitions," said Paul West, coordinator for the Classic. "It's the end of the summer season so we almost always have good surf."

Prizes and trophies will be awarded in 16 categories of competition. Each participant will receive a special competitor's T-shirt.

The deadline to register is this Wednesday at 5 p.m., and the cost is \$20. Application forms may be picked up at any of the resort area surf shops. For more information,

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**A new addition to this year's Neptune Festival celebration** is the Jet Ski Competition Sunday, Sept. 25 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. The races will take place on the oceanfront at 31st Street.

"This is an exciting competition with free-style and wave jumping contests," said David Mallard, chairman of the event. "We also want novices and intermediate jet skiers to come out and get their feet wet."

Contestants can register at the competition site from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. The cost is \$30 for novice class and \$35 for experts. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded in each category. For more information, call 340-4323.

This year's jet ski races are sponsored by Sea Doo and Water Sports Productions.

**The annual fireworks display** is set for Saturday, Oct. 1 at 9:30 p.m. from the end of the Virginia Beach Pier on 14th Street.

"The fireworks are going to be spectacular this year," said Ed Coyner, coordinator of the event. "Onlookers will see things they've seen before in Virginia Beach."

Boom-Boom Zambelli is returning as designer of the fireworks presentation. The computerized show will be choreographed to music and will be simulcast on Q94 (WJQ 94.9 FM). The display will last approximately 20 minutes.

The sponsor for the fireworks show is Norfolk Southern Corporation.

## Neptune Festival Boardwalk



From barbecue to hot dogs, Neptune Festival visitors can expect a variety of good cooking sure to satisfy any craving. Food vendors will be available from 10th Street to 27th Street.

## Everyone loves the Neptune Parade!

The Neptune Festival Grand Parade is set for Sunday, Oct. 2, beginning at 2 p.m. along Atlantic Avenue from 14th to 31st streets.

"The Grand Parade is one of the culminating events of the Neptune Festival," said Craig Poppen, coordinator of the parade this year. "We have about 70 parade entries consisting of bands, floats and marching units. This year the reviewing stand has been moved to 31st Street. We also have handicapped viewing available on 29th Street."

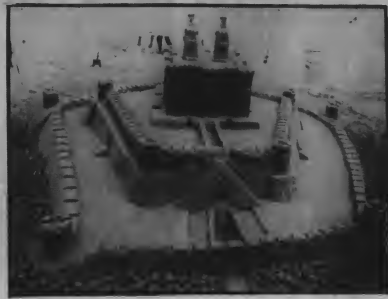
An awards ceremony will follow the parade. A variety of trophies will be given including the Mayor's Award for Best Visual Display.

The honorary marshal of the parade this year is Heather Tace.

His "rabbit ears" caught on Born Sept. 16, 1919, Marvin Middlemarch had a passion for tinkering and inventing. His water-driven automatic potato peeler had no a-peel, but his device to improve TV reception was a (w)hopping success. It's known as "rabbit ears."

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**Castles in the sand!** The Neptune Festival Sandcastle Classic is always a favorite with locals. This year's event is set for Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 1-2, beginning at 9 a.m. daily on the beach at 10th Street.

## Visitors will be treated to a smorgasbord of delights.

Celebration, Sept. 30 through Oct. 2, will culminate two weeks of non-stop activity and special events in Virginia Beach.

"The annual Boardwalk Celebration has become one of the most exciting festivals to occur in Virginia Beach each year," said Dan Ryan, chairman of the Neptune Festival.

"The whole family will enjoy the wide variety of events offered this weekend, from sandcastle competitions, an art and crafts show and sporting events to top-notch musical entertainment," said Ryan.



Visitors will be treated to a smorgasbord of culinary delights available from food vendors all along the boardwalk from 10th to 27th Streets. Musical entertainment for all tastes will be offered at the 11th Street Stage, the 15th Street Stage and the 24th Street Stage.

"It's the final fond farewell to the Virginia Beach summer for locals and visitors alike."

Highlights that weekend include:  
■ Neptune Art and Crafts Show, noon to 8 p.m. daily, 18th to 29th Streets.

■ King's Concert with the Old Dominion University Wind Ensemble, Friday, 6:45 p.m., 24th Street Park.

■ Chesapeake/Atlantic Race, ending at the beachfront at 24th Street, Saturday.

■ Sandcastle Classic, oceanfront at 10th Street, Saturday and Sunday beginning at 9 a.m.

■ Youth Day with entertainment on the 15th Street Stage and contests and games on the beach at 14th Street, Saturday, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

■ Fireworks at the Virginia Beach Pier at 14th Street, Saturday, 9:30 p.m.

■ Youth Art Show, on the Boardwalk at 27th Street, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday.

■ Grand Parade, Atlantic Avenue, 15th to 31st Streets, Sunday, 2 p.m.

Other ongoing events along the boardwalk include the Neptune Festival Volleyball Tournament and the Neptune Festival Surfing Classic. Call 498-0215 for more information.

Neptune Festival XXI, "Vive le Neptune" celebrates the 21st year of the festival.



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## King Neptune XXI crowned

Roger M. Pierce has been crowned King Neptune XXI and will represent Virginia Beach's premier event as king, serving as the focal point for social, charitable and sporting events in the resort city.

Born in Portland, Ore. and raised in Aberdeen, Wash., this West Coast native made his way west in 1979 while serving as Regional vice president for the states of Virginia, South Carolina, Pennsylvania and southern New York with Cox Cable. Pierce had previously served as divisional vice president in charge of Pacific Northwest Properties for Cox Cable.

Now co-owner of Orbital Technologies Inc., a local company specializing in business telephone systems, Pierce and his wife Jackie live in the Linker section of Virginia Beach.

They have three daughters: Susan Sederson in Spokane, Wash. and Linda Wilcox, and Kimberlee Ann Pierce, both living in Virginia Beach. Pierce also brings three grandchildren.

Pierce currently serves as chairman of the board of the Bank of Tidewater, Kempseyville Branch; past president of Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce, Virginia Beach Division and Present Board member, board member of Virginia Beach Events Unlimited Inc.; member of Board of Directors of Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce; Board Member of Hampton Roads Navy League; board member Armed Services YMCA; secretary/treasurer and board member of Legal Resources of Virginia; and member of Cavalier Golf and Yacht Club.

In the past, Pierce has served as board member and past chairman of the Humana Bayside Hospital Board of Trustees; founding board member of Operation Smile; founding board member of Life Saving Museum of Virginia; Board of Directors of Virginia Arts Center; director ODU Intercollegiate Athletic Committee; 12-year member of city council in Aberdeen and served as vice mayor; served as General Chairman of the Virginia Beach Neptune Festival 1987.



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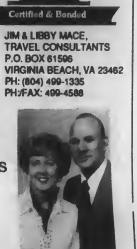
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### Good luck wishes abound for Miss Virginia

Miss Virginia, Cullen Johnson of Virginia Beach, will have plenty of fans wishing her well when she takes the stage Saturday night in Atlantic City, N.J., during the Miss America Pageant. Jeff Bunn of Chesapeake hosted a gala send-off reception for Johnson recently at the Woman's Club of Norfolk. More than 100 people attended to offer their support. The afternoon's festivities, clockwise from left, included: Johnson cutting her cake; Bunn presenting her with a chalk portrait; congratulations from Bunn and her mother, Garland Johnson; plenty of autograph signings; and, an address from her father, Jay Johnson. Miss Virginia is a graduate of Cox High School and Longwood College. The Miss America Pageant will be broadcast locally Saturday at 9 p.m. Saturday on Channel 10.



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## Foil burglars before they target you

*Editor's note: Neither the writer nor the publisher assumes any responsibility for results of actions taken as a result of this information.*

Last week we emphasized being phone-wise and protecting your front door, which is by far the favorite means of entry.

If the front door is hard to enter, or they might be easily spotted, their next choice is a rear door or window. Rear doors usually have windows,

### Staying Alive!

By Eric Stevens, columnist

and are poorly constructed, in addition to being more "private" than the front. They could be replaced by solid-wood or metal doors, but that simply steers the thief to a window.

If your house looks Spanish or French, you could buy vertical bars with ornamentation; they actually look nice, as such things go; most people, however, would avoid them. If you've remembered to lock your windows, a thief must break them (noisy) or cut through them (time-consuming). Since most burglars are not very bright, noise and time only bother some of them. Noise from the house, however, often deters them.

Such noise can come from dogs, alarms, a radio or conversation.

Two dogs, or one large one, would be best (also expensive). Even a small dog can make considerable noise. You or your neighbors, as well as the thief, can tell the difference between a yapping pet and a snarling (or biting) canine. Even a "Beware of Dog" sign will deter some thieves, but some thieves will kill a dog, chloroform it, or throw it a bone, meat or a rag containing the scent of a bitch in heat.

Dogs can also create horrendous flea problems. A motion-sensor alarm can trigger the sound of barking dogs. My big dog failed to stop the men who took my television one afternoon, but my small dog bit a prowler, driving him away one night. If your dog usually greets you, but fails to, look out!

Burglar alarms vary considerably, and have a variety of pros and cons, depending on your situation, personality and pocket-book. I suggest calling several from your Yellow Pages, plus talking to several owners.

"Citizens Against Crime" offers speakers, books, defensive devices, and signs that proclaim that you have a security system. The signs, without the system, can give you a false sense of security, but they might deter some crooks. For their many fine offerings, call 1-800-466-1010.

Some experts recommend leaving your radio on a talk show when you are out. Better yet, tune the television to the sports channel; the set flickers, and the nature of the broadcast hints that one or more males are present. You can even buy timers to do this for you.

Lighting is an excellent deterrent at night, but most burglaries take place in the daytime. Two or more lamps should burn at night, including one upstairs when applicable. The cost adds up, making one more reason to despise crooks. Outside lights are even more important, and should include motion-sensor detectors on each side of your home, with the one in the driveway placed toward the rear.

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By Charlotte Shepard, travel consultant

Travellers, beware! According to a survey for the National Consumers League, 92 percent of Americans have received a travel scam letter in the mail telling them they have won a free prize trip.



### Around The Travel World

By Charlotte Shepard, travel consultant

800 U.S. locations, has fact sheets to pass out to clients.

Some of their suggestions are:

- Never give credit card numbers to unknown companies.
- Never send money by courier or overnight mail.
- Don't be pressured into immediate decisions.

■ Hang up if someone asks for money in order to claim a prize.

■ When scammed, complain. Consumer silence keeps scam operators in business.

Global Spectrum of Washington, D.C., has put together a brochure of "safe, psychologically-supporting" tours for veterans who wish to visit their Old Vietnam battle grounds.

An eight-day tour to Ho Chi Minh City and surrounding sites is \$2,750. Extensions include some of the most famous sites of the Vietnam War.

What is adventure travel? The Travel Industry Association of America defines adventure travel as any vacation that involves outdoor, physical activity like hiking, bicycling, horseback riding, rafting, climbing or camping.

Preferences are camping (85 percent), hiking (74 percent), and skiing (51 percent), followed by snorkeling or scuba diving, sailing, kayaking, whitewater rafting and biking trips.

Men spend an average of \$908 on an adventure trip, while women only spend an average of \$831. Wonder

what the difference is?

With the fall season, those of you who want to learn to be a group leader and avoid the pitfalls, please call me as I am forming a new class. Those who want to be on our group tour mailing list should also call.

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Question: I have heard there is a bird festival somewhere in eastern Virginia. Do you know when and where?

Answer: The Eastern Shore's Birding Festival on Oct. 8-9th at Sunset Beach Inn, Kiptopeke. It is the celebration of the fall migration of songbirds and raptors. There will also be educational seminars, workshops and exhibits. There is a fee. For further information or reservations, please call 804-787-2460.

If you have an *Around the Travel World* question, write the columnist at this newspaper, c/o Travel Question, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, VA 23327.

Shepard can also answer all your tour-related questions to the vacations described in this column. Call 423-8470 for more information.



Courtesy Photo

Looking for a fun event this fall? Try the Waterford Homes Tour and Crafts Exhibit Oct. 7-9 at Waterford, an 18th century quaker village. It will open the doors to 10 restored homes and feature more than 130 juried heritage crafters like Jeffrey Gale, shown weaving an ash log basket. For more information, call the Virginia Division of Tourism at 804-786-2051.

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## Critter cameraman shoots wildlife

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doesn't move. He doesn't make noise. He just waits.

"I've had a fox who may go into his hole and had to sit there for six hours. I sat there waiting for that fox, ready for him to wake up. Then I took the picture," he said proudly.

Today that shot remains one of his favorites. It hangs on his living room wall at the front door for all visitors to see.

His photography expeditions to catch animals in the wild have led him across the country, from Syracuse, N.Y., to Tacoma, Wash. Traylor also spent a month in the Superior National Forest in northern Minnesota and visited Olympic National Park in Washington. He has also spent time at the Olympic Game Farm, home of

many Hollywood animal actors.

Yet Traylor has one dream he hopes to soon realize, one he and his wife share.

"If things go right, we'd like to sell the house, move to the country and live with the animals. Everyone has their dream. We've started working toward our own wildlife rehabilitation center. We've found 30 acres out near the Dismal Swamp. If things go right, within the year we'll be on our way," he said.

They already have a name for it: The Wildlife Care Center.

"I am no longer into the business of pictures for profit. Every penny I make is going into the center. It's beginning to be a reality."

There the Traylor would have large acreage to avoid infringing development. When animals

need care, whether it be mending from an arrow through the talon to recovering from other injuries, the Traylor's will offer the service free of charge, all because of their love for animals.

To afford it, Traylor intends to keep his day job and devote his remaining hours to the animals.

"I'll never get anything back, but we want to do this. There's no profit in it; we just want to do this out of the goodness of our hearts," he explained.

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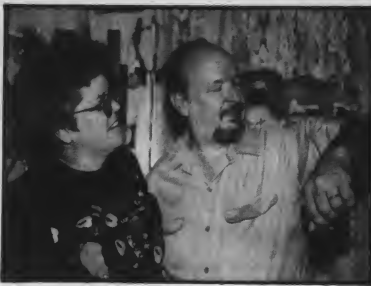
Waverley Traylor

For now, Traylor contents himself with the rescue work, photography and several pets, including two Siberian huskies.

And just for good measure, stepping inside the couple's home is an experience. Plants dot the room, fish tanks trickle and bubble, and nature music fills the air. It's almost like being outdoors.

"I hit the epitome of being a nature photographer about a year ago. I was holding real still, awaiting a shot, when I felt something on my finger. It was a little chickadee perched there. We sat there nose to beak for about a minute. You know you've made it when they come up to you," he smiled.

Traylor is available for free group presentations on endangered species, careers with wildlife, Tidewater wildlife and other topics. For more information, call him at 463-8218.



Waverley Traylor and his wife, Margaret, share the dream of moving to the country and opening their own animal rehabilitation center.

## Green Thumb program offers older workers a helping hand

By MARGARET WINDLEY  
Sun Correspondent

As everyone knows, occasionally life hands out some real wallops. Bad things do happen to good people, and it just isn't fair.

Yet there are people and organizations who strive to help others, especially those good people who may be down on their luck.

"We work with individuals 55 and older who have limited incomes," explained Paula Granger, state director for the private, non-profit Virginia/North Carolina Green Thumb Program active in Virginia Beach, which links people needing job training with organizations willing to train workers.

"A lot of people when they retire find that they still need to do something because of limited incomes," she continued. "They really need to get back into the workforce. Many may have had only one job in their lifetime. There are a lot of elderly women who may have never worked outside their homes."



Photo by Margaret Windley

Mildred Dow, a Green Thumb worker, expressed her problem finding employment as an older worker to Congressman Owen Pickett during his visit to Virginia Beach recently.

Many of Green Thumb's participants who come into the program with work histories have obsolete job skills.

The program lines up eligible citizens with host agencies that help them to develop skills with which to get back into the workforce.

"The purpose of our program is to provide essential community training," Granger said.

Guidelines require that the men and women in the program work for 20 hours a week at minimum wage, be paid by the host agency and actively search for jobs.

Introducing Mildred Dow, a social work assistant for the Virginia Beach Department of Social Services (and also a Green Thumb participant), Granger stated, "Mildred works with emergency foods and persons in need of emergency prescriptions. She actually meets with the clients and determines their eligibility."

Dow must also decide on the best

### CHECK IT OUT

For more information on Green Thumb, call Misty Lee at the Virginia Beach Department of Social Services at 431-3214, or contact the Green Thumbs nationally at 703-522-7272.

source of outside assistance for these people choosing among the city's network of religious organizations, food pantries and other groups.

"She determines their eligibility whether we can help with it or to refer it out to the Foodbank. She documents it in a case file, subject to audit by the state. It is very critical that we do very accurate documentation. She truly has been an asset to this position," Granger said.

Eunice Whitehurst, a social work supervisor, added that Dow has had some difficulty looking for employment.

"We have had a freeze on our positions. It's real hard for anyone new to come on. But if something that comes up she (Whitehurst) would get a good recommendation."

Dow, who has been working at her present position for about 18 months, is a reminder that all too many people with excellent skills and job histories are having problems in the current economy.

As a researcher in a bank in New York, she made about \$80,000 a year until she came to Virginia. Her job, which involved checking on the amount of money in clients' accounts, has been replaced by computer technology.

Introduced to U.S. Congressman Owen B. Pickett at the Department of Social Services last week, Dow even explained her job history to him.

Pickett said that he understood the sadness of the new economic situation in which some middle management people are losing jobs due to restructuring and others are out of work because their skills have become obsolete.

pleased and had it suppressed.

Sept. 3, 1833 — *New York Sun*, sold on sidewalks by the first "newspaper boys," was the first successful penny newspaper.

On the more frivolous entertainment front:

Sept. 8, 1966 — *Star Trek's* first episode was shown, launching generations of "Trekkies."

Sept. 1, 1972 — *Bobby Fischer* became the first American to hold the world chess title.

Thirty days it hath  
Throughout history, September has been a time for celebrating the harvest. So what famous firsts hath Septembers past harvested in the New World?

On the front page:

Sept. 16, 1782 — *The Great Seal of the U.S.* was used for the first time by George Washington to negotiate a prisoner of war agreement with the British.

Sept. 18, 1789 — *First U.S. loan*

for \$191,608.81, negotiated by Alexander Hamilton to pay government salaries, was received.

Sept. 13, 1948 — *Margaret Chase Smith* became the first woman senator elected without first having been an appointee.

On the communications front:  
Sept. 25, 1690 — *Public Occurrences Both Foreign and Domestic*, the first newspaper, came out in only one edition because the royal governor was dis-

## Community rallies around Sandbridge fire, rescue squads at pig picking

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the tents.

Sara McCarthy, down for the weekend from Richmond, came to the picnic with a group of friends.

McCarthy said she was happy to support the local rescue squad because it's a worthy cause.

McCarthy was pleased with the spread of food and drink readily available.

"I think it's great because you can pay a certain fee, and you can serve yourself, and all this beer and food," explained McCarthy. "You can really get your money's worth, if you want to. It's not a lot of hassle."

### But there was more to the event than just the food.

But there was more to the event than just the food. Entertainment included the band "Undercover" playing an assortment of old favorites, which got the crowd dancing.

Buck Bradberry and his Chihuahua, "Little Taco," provided children's entertainment. The dog performed stunts, such as pushing a toy fire truck holding Smokey the Bear, balancing a top on a basketball and wearing a comical rose and eyeglass set.

In addition, gymnasts from Ocean Tumblers performed, and a clown handed out balloons.



Photo by M.J. Kneibach

Buck Bradberry and his Chihuahua, Little Taco, delighted the youngsters with antics at the fund-raiser pig picking Saturday to benefit the Sandbridge fire and rescue squads.

## A simpler time is remembered at neighborhood gatherings

By SASHA TOMEY  
Sun Correspondent

The America idealized by those who remember a simpler time consisted of communities that helped each other, church suppers, outdoor tent meetings, revivals and a sense of belonging.

For some Virginia Beach residents, that vision of America is alive and well and as close as the nearest church bazaar or flea market.

Under a pink and white striped canopy, Creeds resident Francis T. Dixon carefully folded some drapes and placed them on a table Saturday.

For approximately 15 years, Dixon has organized and manned the annual Bethel United Methodist Church Yard and Bake Sale. The advertising is simple, a hand-made sign carefully placed over the church sign gave the date and time. Although it was only 10 a.m., Dixon and her staff had already sold a number of products and were scrambling to fill the empty spaces on the tables with other donations.

This year's offerings included several bicycles, all in very good condition, a stack of books, a few toys and lots of clothes. On the bake sale table jars of figs, brownies, pound cake and several pies sat. On the ground in front of the tables rested two large baskets of fresh apples.

"Each year the Bethel United Methodist Women hold this sale," Dixon explained. "The proceeds go to support two children that we sponsor through the Christian Children's Fund," Dixon continued. "One is in Guatemala and the other one in India."

Larry Heidelberg, who was busy putting his second bicycle purchase in the back of his van, said, "I do this every year. I buy about half the stuff they put out down here. But it's for a good cause. They do a lot of good work."

Although sponsoring needy children seemed like a nice idea to seventh-grader Patrick McQuilkin, he came to buy a bicycle.

"I'm looking for anything," he said. "But I really want a bike."

He inspected every bicycle until he found one perfect for him. "It's a good deal," he said. "Only 10 dollars."

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Business was brisk Saturday at the Beech Grove United Methodist Church yard sale.



Photo by Sasha Tomey

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"I need coffee mugs," he said as he sorted through the variety of coffee cups on the table. He explained, "I take them to the site, get busy and I never see them again. When I see a sale, I stop and buy a few."

He paused at the bakery table. "I want something sweet," he said. "Would he take some of the baked goods to one of his home sites for his crew?"

"We might take them a snack," he winked.

Dixon explained that after the sale, the tent area would be cleaned. "In the morning we'll have an outdoor meeting here," she said. "We bring the piano out and everything."

The day might have been best summed up by Pastor John Shappell who surveyed the scene and said, "We have been so blessed."

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### Local History Quiz:

## Identify These Early Homes

Here are eight of the Virginia Beach homes constructed during the 17th and 18th centuries. Answers are on page 10.



1. Circa 1680



2. Circa 1772



3. Circa 1732



4. Circa 1794



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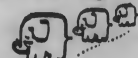
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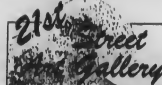
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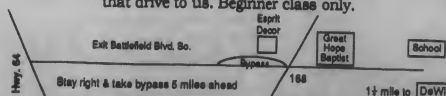
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# Neptune Festival Schedule of Events

## Saturday, September 17

Country Fair Day; Virginia Beach Farmer's Market; 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## Sunday, September 18

Sandman Triathlon; Atlantic Avenue at 31st Street; 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

## Saturday, September 24

Golf Tournament; Hell's Point Golf Course; 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Registration required.

Surfing Classic; 14th Street at the Oceanfront; 7 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

## Sunday September 25

Cheerleading Competition; 25th Street Park; noon - 6 p.m.

Heritage Day; 24th Street Park; 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.; featuring ethnic food samplings and entertainment.

Jet Ski Races; 31st Street and Oceanfront; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Surfing Classic; 14th Street at the Oceanfront; 7 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, September 27

Prayer Breakfast; The Cavalier Beach Club; 7 - 9 a.m.; ticketed - reservations required.

Seniors Golf Tournament; Bow Creek Golf Course.

## Wednesday, September 28

Seniors Golf Tournament continues at Bow Creek Golf Course.

Seniors Appreciation Day; 9:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. King Neptune XXI and his Royal Court visit area senior residences and nursing homes.



Many long hours of hard work are put into building the sandcastles which will be on display on the oceanfront Oct. 1.

Seniors Bingo; Pavilion Convention Center; 7 - 9 p.m.

## Thursday, September 29

Seniors Ball; Pavilion; free admission.

## Friday, September 30

Boardwalk Celebration; Virginia Beach Boardwalk; 10th - 27th Streets; featuring food, beverages, sporting events, concessions and entertainment stages; 3 - 11 p.m.



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Art & Craft Show; Virginia Beach Boardwalk; 18th - 27th Streets; noon - 8 p.m.

King's Concert; Old Dominion University Wind Ensemble; 24th Street Park; 6:45 - 7:45 p.m.

## Saturday, October 1

Surfing Classic continues at 14th Street on the Oceanfront; 7 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.

## History Quiz Answers

1. Circa 1680 — The Adam Thoroughgood House. The oldest brick home in the United States. Possibly, the oldest house. Open to the public during the Fall from Tuesday through Saturday - 10 to 5 and from noon to 5 on Sunday.
2. Circa 1772 — Located in the heart of Pungo on Princess Anne Road.
3. Circa 1732 — The Francis Land House, 3131 Virginia Beach Boulevard. Open to the public Tuesday through Saturday; 9 to 5. Sunday from noon to 5.
4. Circa 1794 — Located on Seaboard Road.
5. Circa 1680 — The Adam Keeling House. Located on Adam Keeling Road.
6. Circa 1759 — Upper Wolfsnare Plantation. Open on Wednesdays through September from noon to 4 p.m.
7. Circa 1764 — The Pembroke Manor; now a private school.
8. Circa 1725 — The Lynnhaven House, 4405 Wishart Road is open to the public in September and October on Saturdays and Sundays from noon to 4.

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Chesapeake/Atlantic Race for Monohull Sailboats; Thimble Shoals Light to the beachfront at 24th Street.

Volleyball Tournament; 7th Street at the Oceanfront; men and women B/BB/AA/Open; registration 8 - 8:30 a.m., play begins at 9 a.m.

Sandcastle Classic; 10th Street at the Oceanfront; 9 .m. - 1 p.m.; youth, free-lance entries.

Youth Day; entertainment on 15th Street Stage on the Boardwalk; contests and games on the beach at 14th Street; 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Boardwalk Celebration continues on the Boardwalk; 10th - 27th Streets; 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Art & Craft Show continues on the Boardwalk; 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Fireworks; 14th Street Pier; 9:30 p.m.



The Grand Parade, to be held Oct. 2, will feature many different entries, including bands from the local schools.

## Sunday, October 2

8K Race; start and finish at 24th Street Park; 10 a.m.

Surfing Classic continues at 14th Street on the Oceanfront; 8 a.m.

Volleyball Tournament continues, 7th Street at the Oceanfront.

Sandcastle Classic; 10th Street at the Oceanfront; 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.; entries include businesses and organization, plus a Master Class of professionals and a new Charitable Organization competition.

Youth Art Show; 27th Street on the Boardwalk; 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Grand Parade; 15th - 31st Streets; 2 p.m.; Wheelchair seating for seniors and handicapped available at 29th Street and Atlantic Avenue.

Boardwalk Celebration continues on the Boardwalk; 10th - 27th Streets; 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Art & Craft Show continues on the Boardwalk; 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Neptune Festival Awards Ceremony; 15th Street Stage; 5 - 6 p.m.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Virginia Beach United Methodist hosts Caring Ministry Workshop soon

Virginia Beach United Methodist Church will host the Stephen Series Caring Ministry Workshop from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 24.

Featuring presentation on "Ministry to Those Experiencing Grief," "How to Care in a Distinctively Christian Way" and "The Stephen Series System of Lay Caring Ministry," this workshop will provide both immediately usable skills and tools, as well as an introduction to the most successful lay caring ministry program ever.

The presentation on "Ministry to Those Experiencing Grief" will include:

- Why Grieving is a Christian Thing to Do.
- The Stages of the Grieving Process: Impact, Recoil and Recovery.
- How to Deal with Denial.
- Helping Grieving Persons Avoid Making Rash Decisions.
- Dealing with Anger or Hostility.
- How to Respond to the Intense Feelings of a Grieving Person.
- How Long Does Care for a Grieving Person Need to Last?
- How Can We Help Grieving Persons Find a New Life?

The presentation on "How to Care in a Distinctively Christian Way" will include:

- How to Make Christian Care Distinctively Christian.

- How to Pray for Others with Sensitivity and Respect.
- An Exercise for Training Others to Use Prayer as a Caring Tool.
- How to Make a Non-crisis Christian Caring Visit.
- A Resource of Biblical Stories and Promises.

The sponsor of this workshop is Stephen Ministries, a transdenominational Christian Organization based in St. Louis, Missouri. Stephen Ministries has served congregations for nearly 20 years with training, caring, and administrative resources for equipping all Christians to serve as lay ministers.

The Stephen Series is a complete system for training and organizing lay persons to serve as caring ministers in and around their congregations. Nearly 4,500 congregations from more than 65 denominations are enrolled in the Stephen Series.

The Stephen Series Caring Ministry Workshop will be led by G. Hardy Tippett, minister of Congregational Care at Revell United Methodist Church in Richmond. Hardy holds a master's degree in Christian education and has attended two Stephen Series Leaders' Training Courses in 1987 and 1993.

To register or for further information, call Martha Jo Wilson, director of program ministries at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church at 428-7727.

## Saddle up for a bronco-busting weekend

Tidewater Western Riders will sponsor a weekend of roping and riding in the annual World Championship Rodeo to benefit Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters this Friday through Sunday at Princess Anne Park. Friday and Saturday shows begin at 8 p.m. and Sunday's show begins at 2 p.m.

A fabulous team of riders will perform, including: Dan Dailey, a 25-time "World Champion All-Around Cowboy;" Joan Rinaldo, a brahma steer and trick horse rider; Bud Graves, a rodeo clown with a funny car; and, many other world and regional champions.

Tickets are \$8 in advance and \$10 at the gate. Children 6 and under are free. Tickets are available at Acredale Saddlery in Virginia Beach; Southern States in Chesapeake; and Stormcrow Leather at the Great American Outlet Mall in Virginia Beach.

Last year, the rodeo raised \$12,000 to help Children's Hospital. For more information, call Gene Snow at 721-7786.

Children's Hospital of The King's Daughters is the only free-standing hospital dedicated to serving the needs of all sick and injured children throughout southeastern Virginia, the Eastern Shore and northeastern North Carolina.

The 173-bed hospital's services include neonatal and pediatric intensive care, heart transplantation, craniofacial and urological reconstructive surgery, cancer treatment and more than 50 outpatient specialty programs addressing such problems as lead poisoning, sickle cell disease, chronic asthma, cystic fibrosis and diabetes.



Gene Snow, top, president of Tidewater Western Riders, presented a \$12,000 check to the Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters last year on behalf of the organization.

Bronc riding, right, is always a popular event at the annual World Championship Rodeo.



## 'Dinner Is Served' AIDS benefit is this weekend

The Full Circle: AIDS Hospice Support Program will hold its fund raiser "Dinner Is Served" Sunday. Hosts and hostesses from throughout the Hampton Roads area will be having dinner parties to raise money for the program. Dinners are being held in homes, restaurants, backyards, local churches and even in a theater in Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, Hampton and Suffolk.

Following the dinners, a gala finale will be held in Stockley Gardens where champagne, coffee and desserts from local restaurants will be featured. The Connie Parker Trio will provide entertainment for the finale.

Dinner guests will make a donation for both the dinner and finale. For those people who only wish to

attend the gala finale the cost is \$20.

Full Circle: AIDS Hospice Support is an AIDS ministry of the Episcopal Diocese of Southern Virginia. The program was founded in 1992 to meet the needs of home bound and institutionalized AIDS patients. Services include meal preparation and delivery, medical case management, assistance with activities of daily living, respite care, pastoral and grief counseling, and patient and family education.

There are no charges for services provided to the patient and family. Seventy-eight volunteers have provided services to 130 patients since the program was founded.

People who are interested in attending a dinner or the gala finale should call Full Circle at 461-8453.

## Museum's yearly Pig and Oyster Roast is Oct. 8

The Life-Saving Museum of Virginia will sponsor its annual Pig and Oyster Roast Saturday, Oct. 8 from 4 - 8 p.m. on the patio at the Fort Story Club in Virginia Beach.

This event will also feature live music and door prizes and fabulous food. The menu includes barbecued pork with Mini Malbon's Sauce, oysters on the half shell, oyster stew, baked beans, cole slaw, hush puppies, rolls and your favorite soft drink or beer. A cash bar will be available. This year new aprons and T-shirts will be on sale.

The ticket price is \$20 per person (\$25 at the door). All proceeds benefit the Life-Saving Museum's educational programs.

Call the museum at 422-1587 for ticket information or send your check payable to LSMVA/Roast, to Life-Saving Museum of Virginia, P.O. Box 24, Virginia Beach, VA 23458. Tickets will be sent by return mail. You may also buy tickets at the museum on 24th Street through Friday, Oct. 7. Hours are Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

## International adoption seminar under way

An international adoption seminar presented by Cradle of Hope Adoption Center and Catholic Charities of Hampton Roads will be held Sunday, Sept. 25 from 4 - 6 p.m. at Catholic Charities of Hampton Roads, 4855 Princess Anne Rd. in Virginia Beach.

Visitors will meet some children recently adopted from Russia, learn about adoption in Eastern Europe and Latin America and discuss how to begin the adoption process.

There is no charge for admission; however, any donations to help orphanage overseas would be appreciated. Needed items include children's vitamins, children's Tylenol, children's shoes (new), medical supplies, arts and crafts items (crayons,

paints and clay) and baby care products (shampoo, powder, etc.).

## Charity Polo Match planned

The Eighth Annual Charity Polo Match will be held Saturday, Oct. 8 at the Alpha Omega Farm in Virginia Beach.

Tickets are on sale at the Virginia Beach 4-H Office for \$5 per youth and \$15 per adult. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Virginia Beach 4-H Clubs. For more information, call 427-4769.

## LIBRARY NOTES

Four-and-one-half years after the drowning of her youngest son, 5-year-old Andrew, in the river behind her Norfolk home, Shelly Wagner was urged in 1988 by her brother, Richard Jones, poet and editor of *Poetry East*, to tell her story through poems.

Since his challenge, her poems have appeared in *TriQuarterly*, *ONTHEBUS*, *Hamden-Sydney Poetry Review* and other journals.

When Walter McDonald, the poet at Texas Tech University, saw four of Wagner's poems in *American Poetry Review*, he included her among the 12 poets invited to submit manuscripts for Texas Tech University's Press's First Book Award for 1992. "The Andrew Poems" won and was released January 1994. A second printing has already been ordered.

The Central Library of Virginia Beach will host Wagner Sunday, Oct. 30 at 2:30 p.m. in the library theater. Books will be available and signed by the author following her reading.

The Planning Council, a not-for-profit regional human services planning organization, will present "Locating Dependable Child Care," at the Kempville Area Library, 832 Kempville Rd., Monday, at 7 p.m. Families will learn how to locate dependable child care.

The program covers the various types of child care available in the community and how to evaluate and monitor high quality child care services. Call 495-1016 to register.

IDS Financial Services will address the most important questions to ask before retirement: sources of retirement income, social security benefits, pension plans and IRAs at the Kempville Area Library Thursday, Sept. 29 from 7 - 8:30 p.m. Registration is required. For more information and to register, call 495-1016.

The Virginia Beach Genealogical Society will conduct a Genealogical Information Tour Thursday, Oct. 6 at 10:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. at the Central Library genealogy area.

The Tidewater Chapter of Professional Secretaries International (PSI) will hold a mini-seminar Thursday at Virginia Beach Central Library, with refreshments at 6 p.m. and the evening's program, "Body by Design," at 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$15. Contact Susan Turner at 498-9763, voice mail 8 for reservations or more information about PSI.



Michael Parent, a former English teacher turned storyteller, singer and juggler, will present his antics next weekend during Virginia Wesleyan College's Sixth Annual Storytelling Festival.

## Virginia Wesleyan sets annual Storytelling Festival

The Sixth Annual Storytelling Festival, co-sponsored by Virginia Wesleyan College and the Norfolk Story League (composed of members throughout the Hampton Roads area), will feature the lively tales of Michael Parent, a former high school English teacher turned storyteller/singer/juggler, on Friday, Sept. 23, and Saturday, Sept. 24.

Since 1977, Parent has entertained audiences across the United States and Europe with the songs and tales drawn from the traditions and experiences of growing up in a bilingual French-Canadian family. His storytelling has been likened to "sitting down with a special friend

who quietly tells you his most secret and magical stories." Parent won a Gold Medal Award from the *Parent's Choice Magazine* for his 1989 recording "Sundays at Grandma's."

Local storytellers Kay Zentz and Una MacGillivray will also perform on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. The festival continues Saturday from 9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in the Hofheimer Theater and Fine Arts classrooms. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 6 to 12 and free for children under 5. Group rates are available upon request.

Call the college for more information at 455-3200.

## Hit the waves, mateys!

The Chesapeake/Atlantic Race will be held Saturday, Oct. 1 to benefit the Life-Saving Museum of Virginia. This annual monohull sailboat race, sponsored in part by the Broad Bay Sailing Association, will begin at 9:30 a.m. and will sail a course from Willoughby Bay and finish off the beach at 24th Street.

The race is open to all boats in IMS, PHRF-A, PHRF-B, PHRF-C, PHRF-NS and Cruising Classes. The entry fee is a \$40 donation to the Life-Saving Museum. All crews can participate in the Skipper's Meeting Friday night, Sept. 30 from 6-8 p.m., and the After Race Party from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 1 on the oceanfront at the Life-Saving Museum.

The entry deadline is Friday, Sept. 30. Entry forms available at the museum on 24th Street.

Awards will be presented to first, second and third place for all classes with five or more finishers or first and second with four finishers. Neptune Festival Chesapeake/Atlantic Race Southern Lady Perpetual Trophy will be presented to the boat winning its class by the greatest correct time over the second place boat in which class there are five or more starters. The Drinkwater Cup will be awarded to the first place winner in the class with the most entries.

All proceeds from this race will benefit the Life-Saving Museum's educational programs such as Water Safety Day and Basic Boating Safety.

Contact Fielding Tyler at the Life-Saving Museum at 422-1587 or Randy Pugh at 428-8000 for more information.



## Lest we forgot our fight for freedom

Editor's note: Lil' Quill hosts Judith K. Connors of the Lynnhaven Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution, as a guest columnist this week.



Lil's Quill

Lillian Youell, board member, Virginia Consortium for Law-Related Education.

and those who have been naturalized during the year (new citizens) and "Constitution Week."

It was at the request of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution that the Resolutions designating "Constitution Week" was introduced into Congress and approved Aug. 2, 1956. Constitution Week is Sept. 17-23.

The Daughters of the American Revolution continues to encourage all citizens, especially young people, to take time during this special week to study this most important national document, which guarantees the rights and privileges of citizenship.

Although much emphasis is made of the "rights" secured by the Constitution, this is a good time to reflect on the "responsibilities" of citizenship.

Some years ago, a Detroit Citizenship Education study grew up what they considered the Five Qualities of the Good Citizen. Briefly stated, the good citizen cherishes democratic values and

bases his actions on them; practices democratic human relationship in the family, school, community and the larger scenes; recognizes the social problems of the times and has the will and ability to work hard their solutions; is aware of and takes responsibility for meeting basic human needs; and perhaps most importantly possesses and uses knowledge, skills and abilities necessary in a democratic society.

The Preamble of the Constitution begins, "We, the people..." It thus declares that the Constitution was established by the people and sovereignty reposes in the people. This Preamble sets the tone and articulates our nation's belief in justice, peace and liberty for all.

The great principles of the Constitution — sovereignty of the people, supremacy of the national government, respect for the states, separation of church and state, rule by majority but protection of minority rights — have remained in tune with the beliefs and hopes of our expands democracy. Now 207 years old, this great document has stood the test of time. It is today the oldest constitution still in use in the world.

At its chapter meeting on Sept. 10, Lynnhaven Parish Chapter NSDAR members renewed their commitment to study the Constitution and share that knowledge and commitment with other citizens.

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Editor's Note: This column is the second of a two-part series about the duties of municipal clerk's and the evolution of the city clerk.

The city clerk is the "record keeper" of all records of city council and prepares the agenda for weekly meetings. Minutes of this week's meeting are prepared and submitted for Council approval at their next week's meeting.

This is a "plus" in Virginia Beach, as many cities do not receive their minutes for two or more weeks after the meeting.

The clerk's records date back to the middle 1800s and include Princess Anne County as well as the town and old city of Virginia Beach. In 1978, there were no cross-reference files or cards. More than 300,000 reference cards are now on file in the city clerk's office. However, through high technology and the city clerk's goal to better serve the council and citizens, the Office View scanning system now provides instantaneous reference to all records and those cross-reference cards will soon be recycled.

**The Mayor's Report**  
Mayor Meyera Oberndorf

One incident of proof of the capability and efficiency of this retrieval system is a request by a council member for a document of previous date while a similar subject was being considered during a recent council meeting.

The deputy left the council chamber, researched the document and produced it back in the Council Chamber in three minutes. Documents can be researched via date, subject, borough, or color.

The city clerk is the "keeper" of the city seal, which is affixed to all legal documents. The city clerk also attests to the authorizing signature for these documents (deeds, contracts, agreements, certificates, etc.) and files them for future reference. All of these are scanned and, only where necessary, are the original paper documents retained for future reference.

In this reference, certain adjustments are in progress to allow the departments access to these records from their own computer work station.

This will eliminate many hours of research, tons of paper records and working space for these very crowded offices.

The city attorney's office will be the first connection to provide them access to ordinances, resolutions and legal documents. Simultaneously, the Finance Department will connect for access to deeds, contracts and other documents dealing with budget matters.

Other ports are available for departments to connect in the future. The city clerk is also responsible for all legal advertising of items for the City Council Agenda which is determined by state code and federal mandates.

The city clerk is the "director" of the mayor and council's legislative office. The Legislative Department is comprised of two distinct agencies: the Municipal Council and the City Clerk's Office. The Municipal Council is the elected body which enacts legislation and provides policy to ensure the economic, social and physical quality of the city. The city clerk's office provides related support services to the governing body and a record of legislative history. It may interest you to know that in Fiscal Year 1992-93, more than 45,000 calls were answered and responded to, 30,000 pieces of mail were received and 4,973 documents were researched and disbursed by the city clerk; and, in addition, 50-70 calls and an average of 30-50 pieces of mail per day are managed by the mayor's secretary, deputy city clerk.

The secretary handles appointments, phone, mail, receives and monitors citizen complaints and works with the Mayor's Youth Council, as well as the Committees on Aging and Disabled.

The city clerk is the liaison for the Mayor's Sister City Commission. Currently, the city has two "Sister Cities": Moss, Norway and Miyazaki, Japan. The commission is working with three other cities.

Recently, in cooperation with the budget analyst, the city clerk developed a citizen survey, which will be distributed to establish a baseline measure of the effectiveness of the city in responding to city council's and the citizens' needs and inquiries.

Many requests are made of this office for copies of the membership book concerning the numerous boards and commissions appointed by city council. The city clerk has a long-time policy that this book is made available in each of the libraries and a copy of any specific agency listing is provided upon request; however, the composite book (about two-

inches-thick) is not available for distribution because of the many changes made regularly with expirations in almost every month of the year.

The cost of updates would be prohibitive and it would take a full time position to provide these efficiently.

The city clerk is responsible for scheduling appointments to Boards and Commissions for council's consideration for citizens to file their resumes for council's determination and selection of appointees. There are 49 current appointive agencies within the city, they vary from advisory ad hoc committees to the elected school board on which appointees still serve through June 1996.

Appointments change throughout the year as various agencies have staggering expiration dates, with the greatest number being in December.

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Some of these agencies are regional with Virginia Beach representation. The Board of Zoning Appeals is appointed by the Virginia Beach Circuit Court.

The city council agenda is prepared and distributed by the city clerk. Compilation of the items is a combination of administrative briefings, ordinances, resolutions, authorizations, etc., etc. The city manager and his staff meet, with the city attorney and city clerk, weekly on Wednesday morning to review all items for the agenda which already have departmental and legal approval for content and legality.

Wednesday afternoon, the city manager, city attorney and city clerk meet with the mayor and vice mayor to review the agenda. Thursdays the agenda is typed, printed and bound for distribution on Friday to the city council, press and civic organization.

Several years ago, the city clerk devised a "Summary of Council Actions" to provide the citizens a weekly summary of the action and vote of city council. The agenda and summary are distributed via mail weekly.

to the Presidents of Civic Leagues. However, due to budget constraints, distribution is limited to these civic organizations.

The city clerk is certified as a municipal clerk and was the first in Virginia to complete continuing education credits sufficient for membership in the International Academy of Advanced Education (AAE). Two of the deputies have their CMC and the Chief Deputy is working on the AAE. The city clerk served Virginia Municipal Clerk's Association as President two consecutive years and was the first editor of the newsletter, an office she held for 10 years.

She has served on committees of the International Municipal Clerks since 1979 and served three years on the IIMC Board of Directors.

She was also selected by the IIMC President in 1986 for an all expense paid study of municipal government in England, Belgium, Germany and The Netherlands. Several Municipal Clerks from overseas have visited in her home in Virginia Beach.

The clerk subscribes to the highest of principles and lives by a Code of Ethics — affirming they govern his or her personal conduct:

"I uphold constitutional government and the laws for the community and conduct my public and private life as to be an example to my fellow citizens."

I will impart to my profession those standards of quality and integrity so that the conduct of the affairs of my office shall be above reproach and merit public confidence in my community."

I will be ever mindful of my neutrality and impartiality and through equal service to all and extend the same treatment I wish to receive."

I will only record that which is true and preserve that which is entrusted to me as if it were my own. I will strive constantly to improve the administration of the affairs of my office consistent with applicable laws and, through sound management practices, produce continued progress to fulfill my responsibilities to my community and others."

The clerk's anchor is service; their compass, new and modern techniques. From the chiseled word in stone to the transistor brain of technology, they are ageless, tireless and necessary.

Virginia Beach City Clerk Ruth Hodges Smith contributed to this column.

## City clerk is pulse of Virginia Beach

## Crime Solvers seek four for local offenses

Virginia Beach police need your help in locating four men who are wanted for separate crimes in this city. Crime Solvers will pay a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest.



Crime Solvers

By Detective Michael G. Derwent, Virginia Beach Police Department



Fonda



Alexander

years old, stands 6-feet-tall, weighs 165 pounds and has a light complexion, blond hair and green eyes. Bridgeman is wanted for felony hit and run and driving on a suspended license.

If you have information about these men or anyone who is wanted, call Crime Solvers at 427-0000. You do not have to give your name or testify in court.

Richard M. Fonda is white, 25 years old, stands 5-feet-10-inches tall, weighs 160 pounds and has brown hair and blue eyes. Fonda is wanted for armed robbery and violation of probation.

Izzard C. Alexander is black, 22 years old, stands 5-feet-11-inches tall, weighs 150 pounds and has black hair and brown eyes. Alexander is wanted for burglary and grand larceny.

Darryl A. Bridgeman is black, 22

## Activities for Girl Scouts abound here

The Virginia Marine Science Museum offers a variety of environmental workshops where Brownie, Junior and Senior Girl Scouts can earn merit badges.

Workshops topics range from a "Scaly Scavenger Hunt" for Brownies to an overnight in the museum with the stingrays and skates for older scouts.

Scout leaders who want a full schedule of workshops, fees and registration information should contact Karen or Kathy Burns at 437-4949 at the museum.

## Grand opening ceremonies slated at Lynnhaven Wood/Loch Haven parks

The Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation will hold a grand opening ceremony at the Lynnhaven Woods Neighborhood Park Saturday, Sept. 24 at 2 p.m.

Directions to the park are: Lynnhaven Parkway to South Lynnhaven Road (at the corner of Putters Road and Lynnhaven Parkway); South Lynnhaven Road is the opposite direction from Putters Road. There is a McDonald's facing South Lynnhaven Road. Turn onto South Lynnhaven Road and take the 5th right which is Scarlet Oak Drive. Turn right onto Golden Maple

Drive. The park, located on Golden Maple Drive will be one-quarter mile on the right.

The Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation will also hold a grand opening ceremony at the Loch Haven Neighborhood Park Friday, Sept. 30 at 2 p.m.

Directions to the park are: on the west side of the Lesner Bridge turn onto East Stratford Drive which is the last road before the bridge (beside Jimmy's Subs and Stuff Shop). The park is at the intersection of East Stratford and Dinwiddie Roads (the third intersection from Shore Drive).

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# EDUCATION

## Local resident receives national women's minority teaching honor



Amy Elizabeth Joslin

### Beach graduate named Johnston Scholar at UNC

Fifty-eight University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill freshmen have been named James M. Johnston Scholars.

Amy Elizabeth Joslin, daughter of Martha and Lloyd Joslin of Virginia Beach, is one of them.

The Johnston Awards Program, one of the South's largest need-based college scholarship programs, provides almost \$1 million annually to UNC-CH students. The scholarships were established in 1970 by the late Johnston, a Washington, D.C., investment banker who grew up near Chapel Hill.

Awards range from \$200 annually up to the full amount needed by the student to meet educational costs. They are available to both in-state and out-of-state students. Selection is based on academic excellence, leadership ability and potential for continued success at UNC-CH. Awards are renewable annually.

Johnston Scholars receive opportunities to participate in special activities to enrich their educational experiences and personal development, including faculty mentoring, leadership development, peer counseling programs, tickets to cultural events and special advising.

The scholarship also are open to students in special programs at N.C. State University and UNC-Greensboro.

### Open House set

Landstown Middle School will hold its annual Open House Nights Tuesday for sixth graders and Wednesday for seventh and eighth graders.

The events will be held at the school at 2204 Recreation Dr. beginning at 7 p.m.

### Polish up those driving skills

A free two-day Driver Refresher Class sponsored by AARP, 55 Alive and Hall Auto Mall of Virginia Beach, is being offered to seniors 55 and older Friday, Sept. 23 from 6-10 p.m. and Saturday, Sept. 24 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Upon completion of the course, students may be eligible for an automobile insurance discount. Pre-register with Pam Durham at 1-800-242-4255, ext. 3.

Norfolk public school teacher Louise Goff of Virginia Beach has been selected to receive the National Council of Negro Women's (NCNW) Excellence in Teaching Award for the Mid-Atlantic region.

Goff, a special education teacher at Oakwood Elementary School, received her award during a special ceremony as part of the NCNW's Black Family Reunion Celebration (BFRC) in Washington, D.C. Friday on Capitol Hill. The BFRC is an annual event organized by NCNW that celebrates the traditions and culture of the African-American family.

Goff is one of the eight outstanding educators, one national and seven regional, to be selected to win the NCNW award. The other winners will also be presented during the Capitol Hill ceremony.

"With the changing structure of American society, the education of African-American youth is increasingly important," said Dr. Dorothy I. Height, NCNW president. "It is vital that we honor those who have dedicated their lives to this task. By recognizing the efforts of these individuals, we are not only acknowledging their accomplishments within the field of education, but also their participation in cultivating positive role models for our children."

Goff earned a bachelor's degree



Louise Goff

The National Council of Negro Women is honored to present, for the fifth year, the Excellence in Teaching Award for these outstanding educators.

The Excellence in Teaching Award, sponsored by Shell Oil Company, honors exemplary teachers throughout the United States who work tirelessly to instill in African American students a "thirst for education," in the tradition of NCNW founder, Mary McLeod Bethune. Award recipients distinguish themselves among their peers and have made outstanding contributions to their field.

Goff earned a bachelor's degree

from Norfolk State University. She is currently working on her certification in education of emotionally disturbed children. In addition to the Excellence in Teaching Award, Goff has received several honors and awards during her 14 year teaching career. She was the recipient of the 1988, 1989 and 1990 School Bell Award sponsored by Norfolk Public Schools. Goff has also been the recipient of the Camp Civitan Excellence in Teaching Award.

Dedicated to the teaching profession, Goff believes that all students have an inherent ability to achieve.

"I believe that all students can learn if given significant time and appropriate learning conditions," Goff said. "Children learn at different rates of comprehension and have different learning styles. It is my duty as their teacher to discover which modality works best for each of my students."

The National Council of Negro Women (NCNW) is a 59-year-old civil rights organization founded by the legendary educator and human rights activist, Mary McLeod Bethune. With an outreach of 4 million women, the National Council of Negro Women is dedicated to improving the quality of life for African American women and their families.

## People's Law School slates sessions

The highly successful People's Law School, sponsored by the Virginia Trial Lawyers' Association, begins its third session of classes with another roster of excellent speakers and a new format aimed at increasing class participation.

The People's Law School is a six-week, two-hour per night, non-credit seminar for laymen seeking a greater understanding of topical legal issues.

At a cost of \$15 for the entire session, attendees hear from leading

judges and attorneys and receive comprehensive course materials on such subjects as criminal and personal injury law, divorce and child support, business law, employee rights and legislative lobbying. Two sessions earlier in 1994 drew sold out classes of students of all ages and walks of life.

The 1994 fall session will run each Thursday evening from this Thursday through Oct. 27 and will again be held in the Science Auditorium at Virginia Wesleyan College.

Joel Rubin, former local television news reporter and current host of WVEC-TV's On the Record, will moderate.

To receive information about this and future sessions of the People's Law School, interested persons should call 456-1634. Seating is limited, and classes tend to fill quickly.

### Public Notice

Take notice, that on 9/19/94, at 10:00 o'clock A.M. at the premises of 4747 Shore Drive, Virginia Beach, Va., the undersigned will sell at public auction, for cash, reserving unto itself, the right to bid, the following motor vehicle:

1979 FORD E-350 VAN  
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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT, CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: Vera Suiter Beans, Plaintiff vs.

Benjamin J. Alexander-Beans, Defendant

Case No. 94-2775

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant on the grounds of having lived separate and apart in excess of one year.

It is ORDERED that Benjamin J. Alexander-Beans appear and protect his interest, on or before October 31, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: September 6, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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### Public Notice

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER OF ACCOUNTS  
CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA

AUGUST 23, 1994  
CARROLL G. CLOUGH, DECEASED

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to Section 64.1-171, as amended, Code of Virginia, that the undersigned Commissioner of Accounts, having been requested by John M. Jeffords, Administrator

C.T.A., D.B.N. of the Estate of Carroll G. Clough, deceased, has appointed the 27th day of September, 1994, at 3:00 P.M., at 129 South Great Neck Road, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23454, as the time and place for receiving proof of debts and demands against the decedent or his estate.

Stanley A. Phillips  
Commissioner of Accounts

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### Public Notice

Auction: 1979 CHEVROLET CAPRICE (6339)

Serial Number: #1L9G9186-629

Auction Date: OCT. 4, 1994

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.

Norfolk Motor Company Reserves the right to Bid.

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### Public Notice

Take notice, that on September 23, 1994, at 10:00 o'clock A.M., at the premises of 4753 Virginia Beach Boulevard, Virginia Beach, VA 23462, the undersigned will sell at public auction, for cash only, reserving the right to bid, the following vehicle:

1985 OLDSMOBILE DELTA 88 ROYALE

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### Public Notice

Take notice, that on September 23, 1994, at 10:00 a.m., at Pembroke Auto Sales, 4753 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23462, Resource Bank will sell at public auction, for cash only, reserving the right to bid, the following motor vehicle:

1989 Volkswagen 4 Dr. Sedan VIN: 1VWFA9174KV010704

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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT, CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: KATHARINE JANE (CARROLL) DONAHUE, Plaintiff vs.

PETER LEE DONAHUE, Defendant

Case No. CH94-2732

ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant, upon the grounds of desertion and/or 12 months separation.

It is ORDERED that PETER LEE DONAHUE appear and protect his interest, on or before October 14th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 23, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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46-235

### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT, CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: Georgianna Jordan Bessie, aka Georgianna Jordan Cotton, Plaintiff vs.

George Cotton, Defendant

Case No. CH94-1976

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant on the grounds of a one year separation.

It is ORDERED that George Cotton appear and protect his interest, on or before October 13th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 22, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, on the 25th day of August, 1994.

In re: Name Change - Regina Sib Brown

By: Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner,

To: Reginald William Brown IN CHANCERY #94-2817

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

This day came Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner, and Reg-

arded that the object of this proceeding is to effect the name change of the above named infant, Regina Sib Brown to be known as Regina Sib Hemingway, and affidavit having been made and filed that Reginald William Brown, a natural parent of said child, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, the last known post office address being: In the State of Illinois (street address unknown).

It is therefore Ordered that the said Reginald William Brown appear before this Court within ten (10) days after publication of this Order and indicate his attitude toward the proposed adoption, or otherwise do what is necessary to protect his interest in this matter.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once each week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

A copy testee:  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Tammy Mening, D.C.  
Michael R. Davis, p.q.  
One Columbus Center  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

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### Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT, CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: The adoption of Amanda Lynn Gruber by John Norfolk

ORDER OF PUBLICATION

The object of this suit is for John Norfolk to adopt Amanda Lynn Gruber.

It is ORDERED that Mark Wesley Brady appear and protect his interest, on or before October 17th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

Date: August 26, 1994

A copy testee:  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Tammy Mening, D.C.

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### Public Notice

Virginia:

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, September 27, 1994 at 6:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Courthouse Baptist Church for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 Agricultural District to R-10 Residential District on certain property located 600 feet southwest of Princess Anne Road, 3 mile northwest of Glebe Road. The proposed zoning classification change to R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet.

2. An Ordinance upon Application of Courthouse Baptist Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a church (modification) on the southwest side of Princess Anne Road, 3 mile northwest of Glebe Road. Said parcel is located at 2641 Princess Anne Road and contains 11.22 acres. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS: PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Beach Economic Development Authority for the Modification of Conditions placed on this site to allow additional permitted uses and develop a village center concept within a 24.0145 acre portion of the MXD2 District and described as: "AREA = 1,046,971 sq. ft. 24.0145 ACRES"

on that certain plot entitled "CORPORATE LANDING," LANGLEY AND McDONALD ENGINEERS, PLANNERS, SURVEYORS. Property is located on the west side of General Booth Boulevard 1,800' north of London Bridge Road. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

All interested parties are invited to appear.

Ruth Hodges Smith, CMC/AAB

City Clerk

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Courtesy Photo

### Back to classes

Chrystal Moez, center, of the Campbell University registrar's office staff, assists with class registration for the fall semester for Joe Schuler, left, a freshman biology-pre-med major from Stafford, and Melissa Quiles, a freshman education major from Virginia Beach. Campbell began its 109th year of classes Aug. 24 and is located in Burles Creek, N.C.









# Capital projects for Central Business District raise concerns

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

Virginia Beach City Council, which has approved the Central Business District concept for the Pembroke area, was more than ready for committing public money to projects requested by the Central Business District Association.

William J. Cashman Jr., president of the association, asked council Tuesday to consider nine projects for inclusion in next year's Capital Improvement Program, among them a station for a light rail system council has voted down twice in the past.

Councilman Robert K. Dean said it was difficult to accept all these facts and figures and that there are so many unknowns.

"We're talking about tens of mil-

lions of dollars; perhaps hundreds of millions," he said, and asked for a special workshop on the program.

"There is only so much money in the public trough," Dean continued. "We will be taking money out (of the city's budget) for six years (the budget will project expenditures through the year 2001)."

The Central Business District Association (CBDA) plan proposes no new taxes to pay for the projects, but expects revenues from the development of the Central Business District (CBD) to provide the financing.

According to Cashman, the CBD would comprise a separate tax district with a certain amount of the revenues coming out of the district comprising a development fund which would be used for additional

projects. What is needed is the seed money. After that the development should pay for itself.

The plan envisions a business/residential community with parks, pedestrian and bike paths and theaters, but Cashman said that the word "downtown," which has often been associated with the area, should be avoided.

"We are not preparing to develop a downtown . . . anywhere," he noted.

The projects proposed to council include the Jeanne Street Streetscape, a Constitution Drive streetscape, a sanitary sewer study, sewer upgrades, boundary signage, a park, an Independence Boulevard extension from Columbus Circle to Bonney Road, a Thalia Creek recreation area, an above-grade pedestrian

connection over Virginia Beach Boulevard and a light rail station.

The plan, which is 8 years old, was put on hold when commercial development became stagnant in recent years. Burrell Saunders, chairman of the plan for the CBDA, said the area has the potential to double its commercial space from 3 million square feet to six million square feet.

To accommodate the plan, the city will need to amend its Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance.

Robert Scott, director of the Planning Department (which has been working with the CBDA on the plan), said that the Pembroke area is a likely candidate for special treatment because it is a large commercial area with an up side as well as a down side potential. "We want to make sure things are there that we want to see."

He said, however, that government should only be a catalyst and that the city should adopt a policy to assure a return on its investment.

Saunders emphasized that the area should attract the right businesses.

Cashman added that a commitment to quality is demanded for the area and that some of the compo-

nents of the plan might be eligible for funding from the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA).

He also stated that the plan would be finished within the next six months, and that the development of the area might take as long as 40 years.

During the Tuesday formal council session, councilman Louis R. Jones brought up the subject of the light rail system. He said that the city was not being informed of the focus of the study contemplated by the Tidewater Transportation District Commission with Federal grant funds. Under grant restrictions, the study would include only a minimum optimal segment — from Pembroke area to the Medical Center in Norfolk, based on the most cost-effective segment. According to TDDC's Jayne Whitney, some discussions are under way to include the Lynnhaven area although "our objective is to build an entire system."

When the project was originally proposed, the light rail was to extend from the beachfront to downtown Norfolk, with an eventual extension to the Naval Base, Virginia Beach City Council, which would

have shared the costs with the city of Norfolk, turned down participation in the system twice.

Jones said Tuesday that while the study would be paid for by a grant, the cities would be left with the bill for operating the line.

Councilman John D. Moss said that a million dollars has already been spent on two studies and that he did not see the point in spending another \$400,000 on another study. Nothing's changed, he said.

Councilwoman Louisa M. Strayhorn, council representative on the commission, said that she would relay the council's concern to the meeting of the organization on the next day.

Moss said that light rail does not solve the transportation problem for Virginia Beach and that he saw no use in a study "done by a bunch of bureaucrats."

The TDDC Technical Committee is a evaluating proposals from firms interested in making the study.

Light rail was turned down by council previously because of the cost and the limited ridership and the potential need to change the land use plan in areas along the line.

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## They OK'ed it, but with understanding?

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way they are. The argument is that the citizens now get to vote for all 11 members (under the proposed plan they would vote for only five) and the special interests of the rural areas are represented by borough representatives.

A number of council members have indicated that they would vote for whatever the people wanted, regardless of their convictions, but council rejected in the past change. Council had voted to place its own plan — some reapportionment but maintaining the at-large voting — on last November's ballot in a referendum, but withdrew the question before the election.

Al Strazzullo, president of the Citizens Action Coalition, said the questioning of the outcome of the

referendum was a "real and desperate attempt the referendum."

He said that actually, of the 40,800 who voted in the election, 40,000 casts votes on the plan and nearly 53 percent said "yes."

"City council is morally and ethically bound to accept the election plan," Strazzullo stated.

Maurice Jackson, who spearheaded the petition drive asked, "How can anyone misunderstand . . . ?"

Eliminating six votes (for the district representatives elected only by the other districts) "is eliminating nothing because they are not people who represent you."

Further hearings, he said, would merely be catering to the losers.

Jim Willenbrink read a position paper from the Pembroke Meadows Civic League expressing "strong

and unequivocal opposition to the adoption of the ward system in Virginia Beach."

He said that the league supported reapportionment, but when the league endorsed reapportionment, no mention was made of the ward system. At first, he said, many did not realize they were voting for a ward system.

Willenbrink said a ward system would deprive the voters of six votes. He argued that all 11 members vote on all issues and all members should remain accountable to all voters. "A large number of voters were misinformed," he noted, recommending council reject the ward system and approve reapportionment.

Patrick Standing, a former mayor, rejected a change in the electoral plan, saying that "you have an electoral plan that would be desired by any city."

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## Real estate hike possible to fund sand replenishment

By LEE CAHILL  
City Council Reporter

Sand for Sandbridge probably will cost property owners an additional six cents per \$100 valuation on their real estate taxes and a four percent lodging tax for owners of rental property.

An ordinance creating a special services district for Sandbridge to help pay for the city's share of the cost of replenishing the sand on the beachfront will be before Virginia Beach City Council next week. Included in the ordinance will be the additional real estate and lodging taxes for the residents, which are part of the funding plan for sand replenishment.

In notarized statements 88 percent of the approximate 1660 property owners in Sandbridge have already agreed to having a special services district and indicated a preference for the six cents and four percent taxes — a letter to the property owners, said Pungo councilwoman Barbara Henley, included the fact that six to 12-cent tax on real estate would

be needed as well as a 2.5 percent lodging tax to provide revenue for the project.

Henley said that Dean Block, director of management and the budget said that the figures would work with the six cents and four percent of the lodging tax would be assessed in two stages, two percent in 1995 and two percent in 1996.

Henley pointed out that under the arrangements, residents who rent out their property will be paying both taxes while other property owners will pay just the real estate tax.

The city will advertise for a public hearing on the special tax district after the rates are established next Tuesday.

Also making up the city's funding package will be the dedication of tax profits from Little Island Beach Park and the Sandbridge parking lot and the dedication of the Tourism Growth Investment Fund (T.G.I.F.) lodging takes from Sandbridge.

The \$8.8 million cost of the ini-

tial sand replenishment project will be shared by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the city, with the Corps contributing 65 percent and the city 35 percent. However, sand will have to be replenished in two- and four-year cycles at a total cost of \$5.2 million, with the same city/federal split.

The state will pay the city's first replenishment cost of \$2.8 million under an agreement reached in connection with the city's purchase of Camp Pendleton property.

Integral to the project is the establishment of the beach at Sandbridge as a public beach. To do this the city will have to secure individual easements from the 240 beachfront property owners.

City Attorney Leslie Lilley said that his staff is doing title searches but would not approach the property owners until October.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf said she wanted to ascertain the easements would be voluntary, that condemna-

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## Wetland banking system here would be first for Virginia Beach

By LEE CAHILL  
City Council Reporter

City council has authorized a memorandum of agreement (MOA) for a wetland banking system which will be the first for a municipality.

R. Harold Jones, a supervisory environmental scientist with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, said that the MOA will be the first for a municipality, although some private mitigating banks have been established.

Under the system, a parcel would be acquired by the city to serve as a mitigation area for city projects which require small amounts of mitigation.

At present, a mitigation area (an area where wetlands are created to replace destroyed wetlands) has been

found for each project. With the banking system, the city would receive credits for the new wetlands which could be used by the individual projects.

Mitigation would be consolidated, saving time and subsequently saving money, said Jones at a presentation before city council Tuesday.

Instead of taking six or seven months to go through the process of mitigation for each project, the city can go directly to the bank. The time can be reduced to an hour or two. The city will not have to look for sites individually, he said, and 95 percent of the benefits will derive to the city itself.

In answer to a question from councilwoman Barbara Henley,

Jones said that the system in no way changes the fact that the first courses taken by the city and private developers should be saving the original wetlands.

A 47-acre mitigation area will be used as a pilot project for the program. The acreages being considered, in the southern end of the city, sells for \$3,200 and \$3,980 an acre.

Larger projects that would require much more mitigation, such as the Southeastern Expressway, would still have their own mitigation sites.

Councilmembers John D. Moss and Louis R. Jones had some reservations about authorizing an agreement before the costs are

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Photo by Victoria Edwards

### Party time!

It was an event good enough to make King Neptune proud — and he was! Saturday's Neptune Festival Country Fair Day at the Farmer's Market brought out young and old for a day of fun in the sun. "The Neptune Festival brings the Beach back to the town's people after the tourists leave," 21st annual King Neptune Roger M. Pierce declared as he surveyed Country Fair Day with his wife Kimberlee. Meanwhile, A.J. Spinella, 7, and "Grandpa" Hewitt check out the season's pumpkins at Hewitt's booth, Back Lot Produce. For more pictures of the day, see page 6.



## 3rd Precinct police are now going places in style

By VICTORIA EDWARDS  
Sun Editor

The 3rd Precinct is no longer Virginia Beach's only area to go without benefit of police on patrol bicycles.

Thanks to the efforts of a concerned group of residents, four Virginia Beach police offi-

cers are riding in style these days on their new Signal mountain bikes. Although the men have had use of the cycles for about three months, the 3rd Precinct Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) formally presented Mayor Meyera Oberndorf and the city with the units

Saturday.

"It took us a year-and-a-half, but we finally got it done!" a jubilant Gail Nilsen beamed that morning at the 3rd Precinct police station where the ceremony was held.

Nilsen, chairman of precinct's CAC bike program, said raising

funds for the four specially-equipped mountain bicycles was a "stop and go" effort, but in the end the group raised \$2,200.

"We found out more than a year ago that we were the only precinct in the city that didn't have any bicycles. The bikes are a median between the foot patrol

**"The 3rd Precinct is where we live and work, so we got the four bikes and all the equipment."**

Gail Nilsen, CAC bike committee chairwoman

and the automobiles, because bikes can go in places the others can't go with stealth motion. At that time I was treasurer of the CAC, so out I went to solicit the funds," Nilsen said.

The CAC kept the business local, working with the 3rd Precinct shop U.S. Bikes to furnish the necessary bicycles.

"The 3rd Precinct precinct is where we live and work, so we got the four bikes and all the equipment. The city provided the helmets," she said.

Furthering its efforts, the Haygood Shopping Center Merchants Association sponsored an auction in the parking lot to raise funds for more 3rd Precinct bikes.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf was on hand for the presentation and auction, offering kudos for this community project.

"This is another sterling ex-

ample of volunteers reaching out to the police...to help them keep our city a clean, safe place to live. I thank you for helping get the officers out in the community better," she commented.

Third Precinct Capt. E.E. Rorner commented on the effectiveness of bicycles in fighting crime.

"They have had a very positive impact on our patrol," he noted. "It gives us a different way of approaching the citizens and the community. In one subdivision, for example, we heard about some suspicious individuals in a stolen vehicle. The officers were able to observe them from afar...and make the arrest."

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Photo by Victoria Edwards

The community and police are uniting in Partners in Policing, a special relationship which can only serve to better the community. Shown at the Saturday auction to the benefit the 3rd Precinct police, from left, are Officer J.M. Cox (1st Precinct), Officer Anthony Montiero (3rd

Precinct), 3rd Precinct Citizens Advisory Council Chairman Alan Alto, Officer Alec Marshall (3rd Precinct), Officer W.L. Moseley (3rd Precinct), Officer S.J. Michael (3rd Precinct) and Officer Tom V. Irving (1st Precinct).

### CHECK IT OUT

Anyone Interested in joining the 3rd Precinct Citizens Advisory Council is asked to call the precinct police headquarters at 464-9361. Leave a message for Alan Alto or Capt. Rorner and they will return the call.

Membership is open to anyone who lives or works within the boundaries of the 3rd Precinct, which extends from Route 44 to Shore Drive and Newtown Road to Lynnhaven Parkway.

The group meets the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Bayside High School library.



# Commentary

## Partners in policing

Virginia Beach police officer Anthony Montiero is like a child with a new toy when it comes to his special patrol mountain bike. Now he can zip in and out of places in the 3rd Precinct where a police car cannot. He can sneak up on the "bad guys," and the bicycle is like a magnet drawing neighborhood youngsters nearer to find out more about his profession. In short, he loves his job.

But up until a few weeks ago, the 3rd Precinct was the city's only one without "bicycled" officers like Montiero. One determined group was determined to change that — the 3rd Precinct Citizens Advisory Council (CAC).

Working hand-in-hand with the local civic groups and businesses, the CAC took to task putting bike patrols on the streets. Members battled with merchants and held fund raisers for the cause. It was a long struggle — it took them almost 18 months to raise \$2,200 — but in the end the officers had their specially-equipped mountain bicycles.

Years ago residents would not have thought it possible that the police and citizens could work hand-in-hand for the betterment of the community. The dark cloud of Greekfest and other incidents only served to worsen relations. As in many large cities, neighborhoods feared — not revered — their law enforcement officers.

Those days are ending. Thanks to groups like the 3rd Precinct CAC, Virginia Beach is changing. Police and citizens are working together. As Mayor Meyera Oberndorf said Saturday during the presentation of the bicycles, "This is a sterling example of volunteers who are reaching out to the police...to help them keep our city a clean, safe place to live." You can say that again, Mayor. Amen. — V.L.E.

## It's not just 25 years, it's 1/4 of a century!

I marked a milestone last week. Yes, Sept. 12 will forever live in infamy, because it's the day I hit the big 2-51.

If you don't think 25 years old is bad, consider this: it's one-quarter of a century, or in other words, one-half of 50.

I wasn't particularly looking forward to this birthday, so it went by with little fanfare — just a quiet dinner with my family and fiancé Evan.

But the rubbing from friends was ruthless. The first thing to greet me when I came to work that morning was a "screaming" fax from my buddy Frank. It was a cartoon of a man, obviously in pain, shouting, "OH GOD, you're how OLD?"

Of course, attached to it was a little note telling me I wasn't "too over the hill yet."

Cards came from other pals, like my girlfriend Debi, who joked that from 25 it's "all downhill," meaning that as time goes by strategic body parts tend to sag. Every year Debi loves to do this to me, so I don't matter that I'm a mere three days older than she.

And you know my beloved had to harass me about the occasion. Sure, Evan himself turned 25 before me, but that didn't stop him. You see, I've learned a very important lesson from him and my friend Frank: men don't grow old, they just age...gracefully.

According to these guys, males become "more distinguished" as the years pass; women just "get wrinkled and ugly." I don't know how many male friends around my age say that when their wife, girlfriend or whatever turns 40, they will "trade her in for two 20s."

Believe me, I'm not male bashing. But why is that you always hear of

women getting facelifts as they age, yet men rarely do? Why is it that women just "get fat," but men "fill out" over time? I've pondered it...oh, yes, I have pondered it. So far, I'm left clueless.

Besides 25 being one-quarter of 100, to me it marks another milestone. Somehow 21 didn't seem old. Most young people, in fact, eagerly await it as a rite of passage. When I turned 22 and 23, they didn't seem so old either. Twenty-four wasn't that great, because I knew 25 was looming on the horizon.

Why do I dislike 25? There are several reasons. Yet first and foremost it represents the end of my youth. Sure, 22 or 23 isn't a young-ster either. But it doesn't seem totally necessary yet to get married, settle down and have children when you're a year or two out of college.

**Now it's 25. I know that when I'm 50 I'll probably be wishing I was 25 again; folks are never satisfied.**

Plus it's hard to imagine that it's been almost 10 years since I was "sweet 16." Time flew by in the wink of an eye. The prom. My daddy's life. College. Graduation. My first "real" job. All gone.

Now it's 25. I know that when I'm 50 I'll probably be wishing I was 25 again; folks are never satisfied. Yet for now, just for one day, I'd like to be 16 again.

I'd like to view the world with freshness and wonderment, even naïveté — the way you do when you're a teenager whose main concern is scoring an "A" on the algebra test or worrying over what outfit to wear on your hot date.

So I'm 25. I've accepted it. It doesn't mean I'm ready to be carted off to Forest Lawn yet, but in a sense part of me has died...youth.

It's going to be a tough year. But hey, at least next Sept. 12 I'll be 26. That's not so bad — after all, no one says 26 is one-quarter of 104!

I WOULD TAKE THE FOOD FROM THE MOUTHS OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS...

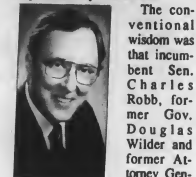


WE WOULD TAKE THE FOOT FROM THE MOUTH OF CHUCK ROBB!



## Wilder was winner of first real debate

When at last we left them, 10 weeks ago, pundits were scratching their heads trying to handicap Virginia's unique four-way Senate race.



Commonwealth Commentary

By Ray Garland, columnist

The conventional wisdom was that incumbent Sen. Charles Robb, former Gov. Douglas Wilder and former Attorney General Marshall Coleman would divide that large number of voters professing no intent of supporting GOP nominee Oliver North, leaving North a real shot at victory unless Robb could convince Wilder-Coleman voters not to waste their ballots, in which case Robb wins.

But two things happened on the way to Nov. 8 to render much of that logic obsolete. First was the sad deflation of the hopes of the two independents, Wilder and Coleman.

Second has been North's well-oiled machine rolling across the state, backed by saturation bombing of the TV channels, developing a sense of gathering momentum.

Thus, the new conventional wisdom going into the first real debate of the campaign at Hampden-Sydney College was the independents had missed the boat. Robb needed to pull something out of the hat and North was pulling ahead.

The debate itself was first-rate political theater: a hot, crowded hall, a keenly attentive audience and the candidates free to roam the political landscape. Moderator Judy Woodruff did a smooth job of pinching pointed questions fairly and keeping the candidates on point.

There was the added drama of knowing Wilder and Coleman had arrived with their backs to the wall, needing to fetch back credibility that

was slipping away. While people came from all over, this was North country, as pre-debate cheering clearly showed.

In that climate, and having to fend off thrusts from three candidates, Robb has his work cut out for him. He was seldom equal to it.

On points alone, this older debater scored Wilder the winner. At crucial moments, Wilder intervened with incisive barbs at Robb and North. He was energetic, confident and best at improvisation to meet the moment.

North and Coleman were most inclined to fall back on lines long in the can. When confronted directly, however, North held this ground.

Robb is a special case. He certainly got the worst of it, but made effective points when he drew a contrast between luxury of campaign rhetoric and the reality of hard choices he must make in the Senate. He deserves special marks for being the only one prepared to say anything likely to cost him votes.

Best-line awards as follows:

■ Most original goes to Wilder for, "The Mardi Gras is over, it's time to unmask."

■ Most hackneyed goes to North for, "My only special interest is the hard-working, God-fearing people of Virginia."

■ Most definite was won by Robb for his statement on the pending invasion of Haiti: "If the president asks Congress for authorization, I will vote to give it; if he goes in without it, I will still support him."

■ Robb also wins the wish-I-had-that-one-back award for, "I would take food from the mouths of widows and orphans if necessary to begin to solve the problems of the deficit." If that clip doesn't show up in somebody's attack ad, I'll be surprised.

■ Most coldblooded goes to Coleman for, "We need more capital punishment."

■ Most dubious goes to North for, "This administration has cut our defenses well beyond the point at which we can protect our sovereignty."

■ Most devastating to Wilder for ending his pitch about drugs being the nation's No. 1 problem by turning to Robb and saying, "You've been in the company of people who said limited drug use is OK and who've been convicted, so don't tell me you're going to stand up on your moral horse now."

The best comeback line, is a tie. To Wilder for his quick rejoinder to North's boast of being the most investigated man on the planet: "And I may say, Colonel, it may not be a very good reason for that to be the case."

And to North for ending the crowd-pleasing, "I'll match my credibility... with anybody on this platform or anybody up there today."

Robb was racked repeatedly for supporting tax increases. He tried to turn this to a sensible debate on the deficit?

The others naturally took refuge in such safe bromides as the line-item veto, term limits and a balanced-budget amendment. But Robb courageously stuck to his guns: "Every single entitlement has to be on the table."

Wilder met him halfway by saying we should examine which entitlements can be means-tested. But North and Coleman weren't buying even then.

North went so far as to say he wouldn't tax Social Security benefits and called for a new program of tax credits for those educating their children at home or in private schools. He never specified where he'd get the money and Robb got nowhere trying to make the point that tax credit is an appropriation by another name.

In this first real test of the campaign, the candidates gave a fair account of themselves. We need at least two more just like it. That done, no voter will have any legitimate cause to plead ignorance of who these men are or where they're likely to stand in the Senate.

Ray Garland is a syndicated columnist who writes for Associated Features.

## Effective management? Not hardly!

I called my local/regional/military medical representative.

"I would like to offer a couple of suggestions that I believe will help," I said.

"You want to make a complaint, you have to call your Patient Contact Representative," he told me. "You can write your representative, but send the letter in quadruplicate."

"No complaint," I said. "But recently I've been a patient and I think maybe I have figured out some ways to streamline the process."

"There's a suggestion box at Portsmouth Naval Hospital," he sighed. "I saw it," I said proudly. "I even filled out a survey. The box is stuffed. You really should send somebody over there to clean it out and read those things."

"That's not my area," he said. "Well, what is your area?" I wanted to know.

"I study spreadsheets and statistical information," he said.

"I thought so," said I. "That's why I'm calling you. I think I can help."

"Look lady," he said. "I've been doing this for a long time. The government is trying to give you easier access to physicians and better qual-

ity of care."

"I know," I said. "I read that in all the public relations information that came out of your offices in October 1992. I've been doing this for a long time, too."

"Doing what?" he queried.

"I've been a military wife for 16 years. I have studied military medicine from the inside out. I think I can offer some constructive suggestions."

"We have surveys for that," he said. "I've been in the military for three years. My family uses military medicine and we have no complaints."

"Nobody has ever sent me a survey or asked me more than a couple of rudimentary questions," I told him. "This is not effective managing."

"Oh, geez," he sighed. "I take it you fancy yourself an effective manager?"

"I have two children who make it to school on time every day," I said. "I also have a job that I meet my deadlines for."

He sighed again, loudly. "What are your suggestions?"

"I saw a lot of computers that weren't being used," I told him. "I think if you utilize the talents of some programmers who are being phased out of work in other areas of the military, you could set a national precedent by having all of our medical records on computer. Doctors and nurses would write less, and there would be no need for the ridiculous paper trail that travels between clinics and the hospital."

"Lady," he growled. "You obviously know little about computers."

"If the pharmacies were linked by computer, it would be possible for us to receive medications at pharmacies close to home and faster. A little

automation and standard issues prescriptions like 10 days worth of antibiotics could be done by computer and wouldn't require more than a passing glance from the quality assurance person," I continued.

He was moaning so loudly I nearly had to yell the next part.

"With all the money you'd save utilizing computers instead of people, you could afford to hire more medical practitioners. Maybe you could even get some obstetricians and some gynecologists available."

"You don't understand," he repeated. "A computer isn't something just anybody can use. A person has to be trained to use a computer. Our doctors and nurses would never go for this."

"I'll bet they have ATM cards," I said quickly.

"Well, sure," he hesitated. "But what does that have to do with medicine?"

"If you punch in the right numbers you can see your bank balance," I said. "By using computers, satellites, microwaves and a modem your clinic could link up with clinics all over the world. That would save on paper-work, time-wasted searching for files, hand-carrying files from place to place. You'd be amazed how much information you could access by computer. I really think you should look into this."

"Lady," he screamed. "It takes a real intelligent person to learn to operate a computer. You don't seem to understand."

"My 9-year-old seems to do pretty well," I told him. "The other day I saw a television program showing children calling Australia to retrieve computer information."

"Do not," he screamed. "Confuse military physicians with 9-year-olds!"

## The ant versus the elephant

Oh, how brave President Clinton looked last Thursday night on television as he sat safe and secure in his office within the confines of the White

House and told Haiti's Lt. General Raoul Cedras, "Your time is up."

What a contrast to the macho man president of today and the young idealist, ultra-liberal draft dodger with the afro haircut who would not fight for his

country during the Vietnam War because he did not feel that the cause was just.

He even went so far as to give aid and comfort to the enemy when he went to Russia and protested, while American servicemen and women were being killed by the North Vietnamese using war equipment from Russia.

It is obscene that this draft dodger now wants to use the might of the very country he refused to fight for to attack a small, defenseless republic like Haiti, which is no larger than the state of Maryland.

For this great American invasion, Clinton has assembled an attack force of three aircraft carriers, 20,000 paratroopers, marines, soldiers and sailors, destroyers, missile ships, battleships, landing crafts, 70 helicopters, assistance from 24 other nations and God knows what else. They haven't mentioned the hydrogen bomb yet, but that's always a possibility.

That's quite a formidable force to go up against three small power boats and 500 poorly-trained men, women and children with outdated equipment. It looks more like the Normandy invasion than it does the Haiti invasion. This is reminiscent of Italy's blatant attack on Ethiopia prior to World War II.

The Ethiopians fought with spears, rocks and their bare hands against Italy's tanks, planes and the most modern war equipment of the time. Clinton justifies his actions with the excuse that we need to restore Democracy to Haiti.

Clinton also says he wants to put an end to the killings in Haiti by the present dictator. There are more people killed in Washington, D.C. in one day than killed in Haiti in a month. At the time of this writing, it appears that the second worst president in the history of America is representing the worst president and has cut a deal with Cedras and that the original invasion will not take place.

We will never know what Jimmy Carter gave away in this deal any more than we will in the North Korea deal, but our children will be paying for it for the rest of their lives, some even with their lives. Jimmy Carter was voted out of office almost in disgrace and yet here he is helping make foreign policy for a people who did not want him.

The Haiti problem is far from over, and some Americans will die because of a president who should have never been elected in the first place. Welcome to the real world.

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# Those with giving hearts get something back

## Picnic honors Beach foster parents for contributions

By SASHA TOMEY

Sun Correspondent

"A child is a handful sometimes, a heartful at all times" was the slogan written on one of the many buttons being handed out at the second annual Department of Social Services Foster Parent Appreciation Picnic.

The quip might well have been the theme for the event that honored the 109 foster families in Virginia Beach.

"We decided to have a picnic so that the children could get involved," explained Gayle Simons, special placement organizer. The first picnic was such a success that they decided to make it a part of Virginia Beach tradition. Many local merchants donated food, sodas and prizes for the fun bags that the children would receive.

Community volunteers, led by Volunteer Coordinator Misty Lee, organized games, face painting and other special treats to make the day a memorable one for the children and their foster parents.

The buttons were in demand. Some said "I was caught being good." Others proclaimed "Kid Power."

Social Worker Julia Jones said she and other social workers spent two days preparing the fun bags and hand making the buttons. To Jones these are more than just accessories or cute slogans, these are ways of boosting a child's self esteem.

It isn't just the children the department concerns itself with. Kathy Baylor who organizes the training for foster parents said that in the future a support group will begin meeting so that foster parents can share ideas and experiences. Presently many do this by keeping in touch after the training classes have ended.

One of the services offered through the department is respite care, which also keeps foster parents in close contact with each other. Simons and Baylor explained that sometimes foster parents need a break. Many times another foster family will take in a child so the foster parents can get this necessary time to "recharge."

Across the cake was written, "Foster Parents are Special People." Social workers and foster children agreed this was understatement.

What does it take to be a foster parent?

"It takes a kind heart," said Alice White. "It also takes a lot of work."

White presently has two foster children and one of her own living at home.

"It has its ups and downs," she admitted. "I've been a foster parent for about a year. It is work, but it's also a lot of fun."

Barbara Wilson agreed that it was a lot of fun.

"I've learned a lot both negative and positive," Wilson said. "It's a great experience."

Wilson said the most difficult part of the job is letting go when the time comes for the children to be returned to their birth parents.

"I didn't go into this to adopt," she explained. "But once you get attached it's hard to give them up."

Wilson adopted one child. And presently has one foster child. In addition to caring for him she keeps in close contact with the child's mother.

"It is a 24-hour experience," she stated. But she offers advice that any parent can use.

"I believe in keeping them busy, keeping them out of trouble. Bringing them up in a church helps too," Wilson said. "I also think

they need a lot of hugs, kisses and being told that you love them."

Although Wilson may have a child for a few weeks, or for several years she does not hold back the affection.

"Yes, it hurts when they leave you," she said. "But I have to think about what they need."

Ray England, who has been a foster parent for 29 years, agreed.

"If I thought about what was going to happen in the future, I would worry myself sick," England laughed.

She admitted that she begins her day with prayer.

"I pray for strength, to be able to discipline with love," she continued. "I just take things one day at a time. It takes a lot of faith."

England became a foster parent almost by accident. "It was my love for children," she said. "Everywhere we went when my husband was in the Navy brought us close to children. Our yard was where all of the children gathered. From there it just sort of happened."

Presently England and her husband and daughter take care of six children. The England's have adopted four.

"I wish people knew the love and the appreciation that these children give back to you," she said.

Foster mother Jeannette Bennett greeted the group with the news that she will be able to adopt the child she has had for a year.

Bennett has been a foster parent for about a year and a half.

"The training classes were a lot of fun," she said. "After they were finished I wondered what I was going to do on Tuesday nights."

She explained that many times even close friends misunderstand a person's wanting to be a foster parent. Foster families are given an allowance for the children they take into their homes. Some feel that foster parents take children in simply for the money.

"It's a good program," she emphasized. "I think we need more parents who want to do it for the love of the children. This is not about money. They don't give you that much. It's really about caring for the children and being committed to them."

Thirteen-year-old Rosie Zuzchik has already determined to become a foster parent when she is an adult.

"It's hard to come into a new home. You're not used to the people," she said.

Foster mother Alice White glows when she talks about Zuzchik's accomplishments. "She's an honor student."

Zuzchik blushed. "I wanted to make principal's list," she said. "I missed it because I got one 'B.' But this year I will do it."

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf stopped by to personally thank each one of the foster families for their dedication to the children and the community.

"I think the greatest gift of all is caring and loving. These parents don't just open their homes. They open their hearts as well."

Presently there are 185 foster children in the city of Virginia Beach. There are 109 foster families.

"We've seen classes drop dramatically," explained Foster Parent Training Coordinator Kathy Baylor. "This year we've had about half the attendance as in previous years."

The Department of Social Services offers three levels of care:

- Regular/long-term care;
- Respite and emergency care;

and,

- T.A.F.Y., which is the youth alliance program that meets the needs of special needs children and young adults.

To obtain more information about becoming a foster parent, call Baylor at 431-3292. To learn more about becoming a volunteer, call Lee at 431-3214.



Photos by Sasha Tomey

Terrance Jones, 3, shows his prize-winning golfing form during Saturday's Virginia Beach Foster Family Picnic.



Photos by Victoria Edwards

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf accepts the four new police patrol bicycles during a Saturday ceremony in front of the 3rd Precinct Headquarters.

### 3rd Precinct police riding in style

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Officer Anthony Montiero wasn't as concerned about the pomp and circumstance of the presentation as much as how it will enable him to perform his job better.

"You get to be a lot closer to the people when you're out on a bike," he said, stopping a moment from trying out his wheels in the police station parking lot. The kids especially love it; now they come up to us and start asking us about our bikes and job. These bikes are a benefit to the police," he said.

Alan Alto, chairman of the 3rd Precinct CAC, is particularly cheered about the unique police/community partnership afforded by his group.

"Back when the CACs were started a few years ago, you would never see the citizens sitting here in the precincts with the officers...but now we've gotten to know them and more about their jobs and needs. In return, they've gotten to know us."

The 3rd Precinct CAC and police call their unique relationship "Partners in Policing."



3rd Precinct police officers S.J. Michael, left, and Alec Marshall check out their new patrol bikes.



Seam Greene serves hot dogs and hamburgers up to Brandon Tyler and his father, Alex, at the annual Foster Family picnic.

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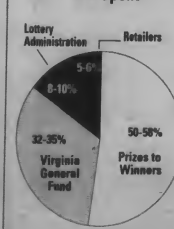
This is the first edition of "Lottery Connection," a new feature that will appear weekly in your newspaper to keep you updated on all the exciting news from the Virginia Lottery. The

Lottery's new Director, Penelope Kyle, said, "Lottery Connection will be the weekly source for information about lottery games, promotions, and news. It is an important way for us to keep in touch with Virginians."

#### Six Winning Years!

On September 20, Virginians will celebrate six years of winning with the Virginia Lottery. Did you know that since its inception, the Lottery has awarded more than \$2.24 billion in prize money to winners? In addition, more than \$1.47 billion has been generated for the Commonwealth's General Fund. The Governor and the Legislature decide how to spend the General Fund, funneling these revenues back into education, public safety, and health and human services.

#### How Lottery Dollars Are Spent



Communities also win with the Lottery. Since 1988, more than \$224.9 million in commissions have been paid to the businesses that carry the games. These funds go toward payrolls and store improvements to boost local economies.

#### Anniversary Fact #1: Instant Games

Of all Virginia Lottery games, instant games - commonly referred to as scratch-off games - have been around the longest. The first one, Match 3,

was introduced in September of 1988. Since then, the Lottery has come out with 42 other scratch-off games. As of this year, more than \$900 million in prizes have been awarded to instant winners. That translates to about \$2.88 million per week! The next new game to come out will be called MoneyBags. Look for it in stores beginning September 22, and look for more news about it right here next week.

Brought to you by the Virginia Lottery.



# Imagine that! Dolly Parton's going rock n' roll with \$6 million theme park expansion

The rock 'n roll era of the 1950s will come alive next season with the opening of a new \$6 million theme area at Dollywood.

The new seven-acre area, which has yet to be named, will include:

- A 1,000-seat theater with show featuring 50s songs and dances;
- A combination drive-in/diner with dance area;
- Cas Walker's General Store with '50s merchandise and exterior;
- A new ride featuring '50s replica cars traveling through the



## Around The Travel World

By Charlotte Shepard, travel consultant

50s countryside while 50s music plays on the radio;

"I thought this would be the perfect theme for our new expansion and a television special..."

Dolly Parton

■ Roving entertainers featuring rock 'n roll music; and, ■ The new theme section will be located in Dollywood's Radio Square area.

"I thought this would be the perfect theme for our new expansion and a television special, so that the whole country can be part of our 10th anniversary celebration," Dolly Parton said.

There is a senior travel club in Knoxville with a neat name, "The Old Folks Inheritance Spenders." Then there are the "Swinging Senior Roadrunners" in Chicago and the "Groovin Grams and Gramps," in Bedford, Texas. Registration is still being taken for those interested in

learning the senior group business at a seminar. Call if interested, and get yourself on the road to making some money while traveling.

One of the most intriguing of cruises is Renaissance Cruises' circumnavigation of Arabia, where it picks up the fabled incense route. The ship calls at five trade centers discovered by only a few cruise ships and a very few other travellers.

The passengers cruise up the Red Sea to Agaba, Jordan and visit the marble ruins of the once-great caravan kingdom, among its port calls.

The St. Christopher's Adventure group is still booking. The first tour will take visitors to Edmonton and on to Somerset, Place at Creswell. It is scheduled for Oct. 11, and the McGuire Sisters Christmas concert is scheduled for Dec. 7 in Washington. There is also still space on the Lancaster-Reading sightseeing and shopping tour!

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Question: How can I drive my car in Mexico? What are the regulations?

Answer: You will need either a passport or a certified copy of your birth certificate, plus a valid U.S. driver's license and a Mexican Tourist Card if you plan to stay longer than three days. If you are driving your own car and will go further than the immediate border area (defined as about 12 miles from any crossing the border area), you must take the original title and registration, plus a copy. You will be able to obtain a Mexican driving permit for \$10, using a credit card of a bank outside of Mexico. You must buy Mexican insurance.

If you have an Around the Travel World question, write the columnist at this newspaper, c/o Travel Question, P.O. Box 1327, Chesapeake, VA 23327.

Shepard can also answer all your tour-related questions to the vacations described in this column. Call 423-8470 for more information.

## Cancer Society seeks locals for colon study

The American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers to participate in a nutritionally-based Colon Cancer Prevention Study. If you are between the ages of 18 and 75, have never had cancer and have had one or more colon polyps removed within the previous six months, this is an opportunity to participate.

In return, the American Cancer Society will provide ongoing nutrition support, a specially formulated fiber cereal to be eaten daily and monthly contacts from a trained research volunteer.

For more information, contact the American Cancer Society, Colon Polyp Prevention Study in Richmond at 1-800-966-3586.

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# Beach tennis pro earns honor of Master Professional rating

Virginia Beach tennis professional Dean Ives has earned the Master Professional rating, held by approximately 1 percent of tennis-teaching professionals who are members of the United States Professional Tennis Association (USPTA).

Ives, a retired U.S. Navy commander, was honored with the Master Professional rating during the 67th annual USPTA National Convention at the La Quinta (Calif.) Resort and Club. The rating is USPTA's highest certification level.

The convention was held this week with a special awards breakfast Wednesday to recognize new Master Professionals and other USPTA members who have contributed to the sport. Prominent tennis personalities and industry leaders were on hand during the convention, including Stan Smith and Billie Jean King.

Ives, a USPTA-certified tennis professional since 1974, is the owner of the Tidewater Tennis Center in Norfolk. He has managed and/or consulted more than 20 tennis clubs throughout the United States during the past 20



Dean Ives

years. He has been a successful tennis-teaching professional, and has coached many nationally ranked and world-class players.

Ives, who has written numerous articles on tennis, is the founder and president of Court One Corporation, a Virginia con-

struction corporation organized in 1974. He is also president of Omega International, which markets and sells recreation construction products nationwide.

USPTA has four certification levels for its tennis teachers, who must pass stringent tests and meet educational requirements to become, and remain, members. To attain Master Professional status, a member must hold a Professional I rating for a certain number of years and fulfill a broad spectrum of industry service requirements.

"It takes many years of dedicated service to become a Master Professional," Tim Heckler, USPTA chief executive officer. "Members who achieve this ultimate level have demonstrated the utmost understanding of tennis and the tennis-teaching profession."

Founded in 1927, USPTA is the world's oldest and largest association of tennis-teaching professionals. USPTA strives to raise the standards of the tennis-teaching profession, while promoting greater awareness of tennis.

## CLUB NOTES

### Single Parents seek members

Single Parents of Virginia Beach holds orientations for prospective members Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at St. Andrews United Methodist Church, 717 Tucson Rd.

Single Parents of Virginia Beach will also hold a dance Oct. 29 from 9 p.m. - 1 a.m. at the Days Inn on Bonney Road.

The cost is \$5 for members and \$8 for non-members. Call 498-2666 for information.

### Virginians Against Handgun Violence host speakers

Virginians Against Handgun Violence (VAHV) will meet Thursday from 7 - 8:30 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Central Library auditorium 4100 Virginia Beach Blvd. Robert "Bob" Walker of the Virginia Fraternal Order of Police, will speak on "Law Enforcement and Guns." Dr. Joseph Zanga will address "Children and Guns."

For more information, call the VAHV hotline at 552-8596, or Kaye Tice at 423-3112.

## Underwater photographer will address Lynnhaven AARP

Chris Crumley, president of EarthWater Stock Photography Inc. and CC Productions, will be the featured speaker at the Oct. 5 meeting of Lynnhaven AARP Chapter 4654 at the Great Neck Recreation Center.

Crumley is well known in the Hampton Roads area. He and 12 other artists/photographers specialize in travel and underwater scenes. Crumley has provided the photography for campaigns such as Yamaha, Panasonic and Braun, as well as diving affiliated companies such as Scuba Pro and Sport Diver magazines.

Crumley has just returned from assignment in Australia and is currently on a shoot in Greece and its islands. His underwater color slide presentation will begin at 10 a.m. A brief business meeting will be held following his program.

The Virginia Beach Department will provide blood pressure screening beginning at 9:15 a.m. Visitors are welcome.

## Retired Officers Wives schedule fashion show

The Retired Officers Wives Society of Tidewater will hold its October Luncheon and Fashion Show Thursday, Oct. 13 at the Holiday Inn Executive Center on Greenwich Road in Virginia Beach.

The social hour will begin at 11:30 a.m. with luncheon served at 12:15.

The cost is \$12 per person with reservations to be made by check to Janet McCue, 590 Tenbee Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Due to possible postal delay, mail early.

Fashions will be presented by Lill Robinson and the music by Al Runaldue, sitting in for Eric Stevens.

## CLASP plans meeting and Halloween celebration

CLASP (Citizens Loving All Special People) will hold its monthly business meeting Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Harry and Juanita Baird, 3900 Rumford Ln.

For further information call Mike Wasson at 422-0566 or Harry Baird at 486-3119.

Additionally, a Halloween dance for physically and mentally handicapped people from Virginia Beach will be held Saturday, Oct. 15 from 5 - 7:30 p.m. at the Bow Creek Recreation Center, 3427 Clubhouse Rd.

The dance will be sponsored by the Ocean Front Jaycees, the Virginia Beach Department of Parks and Recreation and CLASP. Prizes will be awarded for costumes.

Participation is free. Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be given. The latest hits will be played. Parents and guardians are requested to come and help us at the dance.

Transportation is available through TRT at \$6.60 each roundtrip per individual. The deadline is Oct. 1 if you desire transportation. Call Judy Jenkins at 420-7155 to do so.

## Princess Anne Woman's Club

The Princess Anne Woman's Club of Virginia Beach will meet Tuesday, Oct. 11 at 11 a.m. at Tandon's Pine Tree Inn.

The featured speaker will be Kenneth Jarrod. For more information, contact publicity chairman Peggy Reagan at 431-8357.

## Francis Land DAR will meet

The Francis Land Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Saturday, Oct. 1 at 10 a.m. at the historic Francis Land House, 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd.

The guest speaker is Joe Gutierrez, director of education for the Jamestown-Yorktown Foundation. He will address "The Economic Causes of the American Revolution."

Refreshments will be served prior to the meeting. For reservations or information, contact Maryanne Nixon at 428-4277.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## Generic Theater presents local "Last Ride" premiere

The Generic Theater will debut the Hampton Road's premiere of "The Last Ride of the Bold Calhouns," a new work by Virginia Beach playwright Edward Morgan.

"The Last Ride of the Bold Calhouns" is playing at the Generic through Oct. 9 on Thursdays through Sunday, and is a special fund-raising production for the newly-independent theater.

"The Last Ride of the Bold Calhouns" is a musical saga of the Old West. In it, a well-to-do young woman with an uncommon sense of daring comes of age through a series of adventures with two unusual sod farmers and a charming drifter. The play premiered last season at the Milwaukee Rep, there it garnered rave reviews.

The Generic production features three of the four original cast members, featuring Andrea Guilford, Jon Newlin, Bob Nelson and playwright-director Morgan as charismatic Levi Calhoun.

Edward Morgan returns to the Generic after last season's critically-acclaimed hit "Every Fool's Feast." Morgan's other produced plays include "Jenny and the Bugman," "Appalachian Voices," "An Irish Reunion" and "The Salmon." As a director and musical director, Morgan has worked in New York at Circle Rep and the Triangle Theatre; American Southwest Theatre in New Mexico, Players Theatre of Columbus, Ohio, Rep Theatre of St. Louis; and in the D.C. area, at the Kennedy Center, The Studio, Round House Theatre, Theatre of the First Amendment, and The Source.

Tickets are \$10 (Thursdays and matinees) and \$12 (Fridays and Saturday evenings). For more information or tickets, call 441-2160.

## Take a walk at Cerebral Palsy benefit

Join Scooby Dog and Snaggle Puss from King's Dominion as they lead the first Walk With Us Walk-a-Thon to raise funds for the citizens in our community with Cerebral Palsy and other developmental disabilities Sunday at the Virginia Beach campus of Tidewater Community College.

The one-mile and three-mile walks begin at 1 p.m. Participants sign up sponsors. Prizes will be awarded to the person in each age category who raises the most money. The grand prize includes an overnight stay in a waterfront room at historic Smithfield Station Inn, Dinner Cruise for two aboard the New Spirit, and two tickets to an ODU basketball game will be awarded to the person raising the most money overall.

There will be a military and corporate challenge. The top three ships, commands, and squadrons and the top three corporations raising the most money to help our disabled citizens will be awarded trophies. T-shirts will be given to all participants raising \$50 or more. Each participant is eligible for door prizes. Over 300 people are expected to participate in this exciting event.

The route is user-friendly for those in wheelchairs or with walkers.

Proceeds will help fund programs and services such as therapeutic riding, assistive technology and more. For more information, call United Cerebral Palsy at 627-2326.

## Model train lovers host show this weekend

The Tidewater Division of the National Model Railroad Association will hold its Fifth Annual Model Train Show and Sale from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. this Saturday and Sunday at the Virginia Beach Pavilion.

The show will feature operating modular HO and N-scale layouts, dealers selling model railroad supplies, books, videos, and railroad memorabilia, and hourly door prizes. Admission is \$3 for adults, with children under 12 admitted free (with an adult). Scouts in uniform with their Scoutmaster also admitted free. On-site parking is free. For additional information, call Norm Garner at 484-0772.



The Little Theater of Virginia Beach will open its 1994-95 season soon with a production of "The Cemetery Club." Set in New York, it revolves around three Jewish widows' friendships, trials and triumphs.

## Little Theater of Virginia Beach opens popular "Cemetery Club"

The Little Theater of Virginia Beach will open its 1994-95 season with the production "The Cemetery Club," a comedy by Ivan Mancell.

The show is directed by Kay Burcher and stars George Mentz, Phyllis Guinazzo, Joan Gay, Karen Buchheim and Freda Wolf.

"The Cemetery Club" was originally produced as a work in progress by The Yale Repertory Theatre as part of Winterfest in 1987. It was subsequently produced by The Cleveland Playhouse in 1989 and The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, Eisenhower Theater in 1990. The production was then moved to the Brooks Atkinson Theatre in New York where it opened on May 12, 1990.

Set in Forest Hill, N.Y., "The Cemetery Club" revolves around

three Jewish widows who meet once a month for tea before going to the cemetery to visit their husbands' graves: Ida, sweet-tempered and ready to begin a new life; Lucille, the feisty embodiment of the girl who just wants to have fun; and Doris, grizzled and judgmental, particularly when Sam the butcher enters the scene while visiting his wife's grave.

Lucille and Doris try to squash the budding romance between Sam and Ida, then become giddy when they nearly break Ida's heart. The Cemetery Club opens Friday (today) at 8 p.m. and closes Oct. 15. Evening performances dates at 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays are Sept. 23, 24, 29 and 30 and Oct. 7, 8, 14 and 15. Sunday matinees at 3 p.m. will be held Sept. 25 and Oct.

2 and 9. General admission tickets are \$8 and senior citizens/student tickets are \$6 for all evening performances. Sunday matinees tickets are \$6 for everyone. For reservations, call 428-9233.

## Casting call

The Little Theater of Virginia Beach, located at 24th Street and Barborton Drive, will hold auditions for "A Few Good Men" by Aaron Sorkin and directed by Sam Hakim, this Monday and Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Needed are about 25 men of all ages and one woman 25 to 40 years of age. Contact Sam Hakim at 428-9233 for more information.

## SAT Prep Classes

S.A.T. Prep Classes will be offered by the YWCA at the Virginia Beach Central Library beginning Tuesday from 4:30 - 6 p.m. This is a six-week course meeting twice a week at a cost of \$175. Verbal and math skills, as well as test taking strategies, are included. Call 625-5258 for a brochure.

## Violinist debuts new Familiar Faces series

The 1994-95 Familiar Faces Concert Series will present violinist Vahn Armstrong, concertmaster of the Virginia Symphony and associate concertmaster of the Chautauqua Symphony Orchestra in New York, at Virginia Wesleyan College at 8 p.m. Monday in Hofheimer Theater.

Pianist Lee Jordan-Anders, Virginia Wesleyan's artist-in-residence, will accompany him. Admission is \$5. Individual tickets are available at the door.

Armstrong received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from the Juilliard School of Music where he was the pupil of Dorothy Delay. Until 1992, Armstrong was a member of the New World String Quartet which actively toured throughout the United States and Europe. With the quartet, he made six recordings, one of which won a Prix du Disc. This season, Armstrong will be the soloist in Barok's Violin Concerto No. 2 with the Virginia Symphony.

At Virginia Wesleyan he will



Vahn Armstrong

perform: "Sonata in E Minor, K.304" by W.A. Mozart, "Sonata in C-sharp Minor, Opus 21" by Ernst von Dohnanyi, "Sonata No. 3, Opus 27, 'Ballade'" by Eugene Ysaie and "Sonata in D Major, Opus 94a" by Sergei Prokofiev. For more information, call the college at 455-3200.

## Charity Polo Match planned

The Eighth Annual Charity Polo Match will be held Saturday, Oct. 8 at the Alpha Omega Farm in Virginia Beach. Tickets are on sale at the Virginia Beach 4-H Office for \$5

per youth and \$15 per adult. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Virginia Beach 4-H Clubs.

For more information, call 427-4769.

## NAACP schedules salute

The Area II Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), in conjunction with Norfolk State University, will present a weekend salute to TransAfrica Director Randall Robinson Friday and Saturday, Oct. 21 - 22.

The schedule of events include a Campus Rally Friday afternoon and an Appreciation Dinner at Scott-Dorsey Dining Hall that evening. Half-time festivities are also planned during Saturday's football contest between Norfolk State and

Virginia Union, both Robinson's alma maters.

Tickets for Friday's dinner may be obtained for a \$20 donation each, which includes a one-year regular NAACP membership. Call 538-0991 for additional information.

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## Hold onto your seats for 'horrifying' show

When the 1925 film "The Phantom of the Opera" was released, Lon Chaney's performance was thought to be so horrifying that nurses were stationed in theaters to assist audiences overcome by fright.

Guest conductor Donald Hunsberger will lead the Virginia Symphony as they accompany this silent film classic projected on a larger-than-life screen Saturday, Oct. 22 at 8 p.m. in Chrysler Hall, Norfolk, and Sunday, Oct. 23 at 7:30 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Pavilion Convention Center.

Just in time for Halloween, "The Phantom of the Opera" tells the story of a disfigured, maniacal composer who rules the backstage and subterranean regions of the Paris Opera House. He has fallen in love with Christine Daae, a young singer, and wishes to make her the Prima Donna of the Opera House. A series of twists and turns takes the audience through some chilling scenes during the film, ending climatically.

## Jaycees discuss the "New World Disorder" Tuesday

Ralph Nahra, director of analysis and research at NATO/SACLANT Headquarters, will address the Virginia Beach Jaycees this Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Nahra has more than 20 years of experience in international affairs. He has been advisor to 10 Supreme Allied Commanders. He was born in Lebanon, grew up in Cleveland, Ohio, and graduated from Case Western Reserve and Purdue Universities.

Nahra is president emeritus of the World Affairs Council of Greater

Hampton and has given many lectures on the Middle East and international security issues.

He will be speaking to the Jaycees on the "New World Disorder - America's Role." The Virginia Beach Jaycees is a young professionals organization dedicated to both community service and self improvement. Refreshments will be served before and after Nahra's talk.

Those interested in attending should contact the Virginia Beach Jaycees at 499-8822.

## Dig into America's past

Have you ever wanted to participate in an archaeological "dig" and find out how it's done? Experience that opportunity at the Lynnhaven House Saturday, Oct. 1 from 1 - 3:30 p.m.

The American Indian is the focus of this adventure in time past. This event will prepare you for the Indian Pow Wow Oct. 15 at

Lynnhaven House. Admission for the "dig," plus a tour of the house, is \$2 for adults, \$1 for students age 6 to 18 and free for children under 6. Call 481-2145 for reservations.

Lynnhaven House is located at 4405 Wishard Rd., off Independence Boulevard/Haygood road intersection and near Haygood Shopping Center.

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Victoria Edwards*



### ***A day in the country***

A Neptune Festival experience isn't complete without a visit to the annual Country Fair Day at the Farmer's Market. Plenty of fun was found Saturday, as these folks discovered. Scenes from the day, clockwise from top left, included: Carlton Trout scouting the produce at Rob's Garden Shoppe for the perfect tomato; Karissa Shableski, 6, getting her face painted by Freckles the Clown; Joshua Troughton, 2, catching a ride aboard the mechanical mini-bike outside Joe's Old-Fashioned Meat Market with the help of Joseph Syrach; Pure Country delighting festival-goers with their foot-tapping sounds; mules Jack and Pearl giving some enthusiastic visitors a wagon ride; Ian McKenna, almost 2, getting an up-close look at piglets; and, Creeds Ruritan Club member Jim Clark serving up barbecue.





## How about a pin?

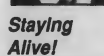
Nan Mercer, left, and Gail Perkinson were on hand Saturday at the Neptune Festival Country Fair Day hawking official festival pins. Selling for \$2 each, proceeds from the pin benefit other festival events like the Neptune Ball, offered free of charge to residents. People purchase the pins yearly as mementoes, and they make nice collectors' items. More volunteer salesmen are needed throughout the Neptune Festival. For information on helping, call the Neptune Office at 498-0215.

Courtesy Photo

## Foresight is the best crime preventative

*Editor's note: Neither the writer nor the publisher assumes any responsibility for results of actions taken as a result of this information.*

Last week this column discussed protection of the home, mentioning that children should not be allowed to answer the door. In this morning's news was the tale of a hostage situation that was precipitated by a youngster answering the door.



**Staying Alive!**  
By Eric Stevens, columnist

discussed protecting rear windows and doors, and deterring burglars with noise, alarms (some of which are silent), lights and dogs.

Motion-sensor lights should be covered by cages, so they can't be broken easily or unscrewed. If you come home to discover that your motion-sensor isn't working, there could be a thief inside. It is best to avoid entering until you've used a neighbor's phone (or a car phone) to call police.

How much are dogs feared? A K-9 policeman I know has more than 600 arrests to his credit; he says that it is not unusual for crooks to beg and even cry when confronted by the canines. Some have said they'd rather confront guns than dogs.

Never leave a ladder in the yard; this would make entering a window or a porch roof that much easier.

When working in the yard, leave only one door (side or rear) unlocked. Thieves would prefer to rob the house, because someone who is gardening is not likely to have money; hence, if a woman is confronted while gardening, the perp might have rape in mind.

It is wise to keep a rake within arms reach (to use as a sword if needed). However, it is not wise to aggravate him because a rapist is on a power trip, and might "see" a middle-aged woman as his nagging mother, setting him off. He might be dissuaded by saying, "Stop right there. My husband is the chief of police, and he'll be home any second." The topic of rape will be discussed in detail later.

A visual deterrent to a thief would be the old "pillows-under-a-blanket" trick, indicating that someone fell asleep on the couch, in which case the blinds would be partly open.

Another deterrent: a house-sitter, roommate, or renter — perhaps a retired couple. Many females (especially college pupils) have a male housemate, in a purely platonic relationship.

It is important to have someone at home during a wedding or funeral, because the real "pros" scout those notices for opportunities. You should also read the crime notices to be aware of happenings in your neighborhood. People who fail to report crimes are being unfair to their neighbors, the police (who keep statistics from which to assign patrols), and even to themselves because they could be getting more police protection.

One-fourth of all burglaries are committed by "neighbors," including joggers, salesmen and postmen.

There are three types of burglars: "smashers," who are usually young opportunists in a hurry; "probers," often with a car, and more time and skill; and "professionals." The latter are more thorough, usually picking on the affluent, and having done their homework (alarms, safes, etc); they sometimes get tips from maids, kennels, and others who would know of an out-of-town trip, in exchange for a percentage of the "take." The often use costumes and appropriate trucks.

Bandleader-pianist Eric Stevens is the author of "Instant Self-Defense For Out-of-Shape People." For information about the booklet, or to have him address your organization or business, call 481-7792.

## Kindness backfires, businessman duped by con whom he offered helping hand

### Warns others not to be fooled

By SASHA TOMEY

Sun Correspondent

Roy Leary, owner of Bluewater Seafood and Take Out, is described by family and friends as the type of man who will do anything to help someone in need.

Unfortunately, one of Leary's good deeds has backfired, and he is worried that Indian River and Kempville residents will be taken in by a slick con artist who represents himself as an employee of the seafood restaurant.

About a year ago, Leary took pity on a man who appeared to be homeless. The man would wash cars in the parking lot and tell the car owners they could pay him whatever they could afford. Leary would pay Vernon Jordan to take out the trash, clean up around the business and wash his truck.

When he thought Jordan hadn't been eating, he would take him dinners. Then the calls began coming in, and Leary quickly realized that he was not only being taken advantage of, but his business had become an integral part of Jordan's pitch for cash.

"He's a little, short, chubby black man in his 30s," stated Belvia Smith, Leary's daughter and manager of Bluewater Seafood. "He usually has a little boy with him. The little boy is about 4 years old. He tells people that his car has broken down, or he needs to have the car towed. Most of the people who wouldn't just give a stranger money say they did it because of the little boy. They felt sorry for him."

Smith believes the little boy is Jordan's nephew.

Jordan's take ranges anywhere from \$7 to \$50, according to

Smith.

"Then he'll tell them they can come up to the business the next day. He will give them the money he owes them, plus a one-pound bag of jumbo shrimp," she continued.

They do show up. Many of them are furious to discover that they have been had.

"Almost every day at least one to three people call us about him," Smith said. "It's frustrating because people come in and can get insulting with us."

At first Leary and his family could not believe someone would take advantage of their generosity and their business. The business, located in the Indian River section, is just a stone's throw from Chesapeake. Leary notified police, departments in Virginia Beach and Chesapeake.

"There isn't anything the police can do until someone who has given him money goes down and files charges," Smith explained. "People say they are going to do it, but they don't."

As victim after victim showed up at the restaurant demanding their shrimp and repayment, Leary and Smith encouraged them to get Jordan off the street by going to the police station and filing a report. It has been nearly a year — and so far no charges have been filed against Jordan.

Family members are becoming increasingly frustrated. They have telephoned local television stations, the local daily paper and tried to get the word that Jordan is not employed by them, and is taking advantage of many kind people.



Photo by Sasha Tomey

Virginia Beach's Blue Water Seafood has become the victim of a con man who promises people who give him money repayment and shrimp from the eatery.

Leary and Smith know that Jordan has gone to churches asking for money; he has also gone door-to-door in the Kempville section of Virginia Beach.

"My dad is a good person," Smith said softly. "He will help anybody in need. But this has gone too far."

Virginia Beach Police Department spokesman Lou Thurston agreed.

"People need to know that people like this are out there," Thurston said. "If a deal sounds too good to be true, it probably is."

And if they fall prey to a con artist?

"They need to make a police report," Thurston said.

Anyone having any information about this continuing scam is asked to call the Virginia Beach Police Department at 427-5616.

## Beach's volunteer Dive Team gets a real splash out of work, offers valuable service

As I travel around the country to various conferences, mayors in other cities are constantly amazed to learn that Emergency Medical Services in Virginia Beach, a city of more than 416,000 citizens, is provided totally by volunteers.

They are further astounded when I tell them that the volunteer rescue squads answer more than 24,000 calls for assistance each year, have 32 ambulances (almost all purchased through donations from the community), 10 zone cars (rapid response sedans), seven squad trucks (for extrication of victims from cars), three boats for rescuing victims for swimming and boating accidents, and a dive team for rescue and recovery.

They are even more impressed when I convey to them that these services, provided by more than 700 men and women, saved the Virginia Beach more than \$7.5 million last year.

One of the most unique components of our EMS system is the Dive Team. The EMS Dive Team provides emergency in-water rescue in lakes, inland waters, borrow pits and surrounding tidal waters including Back Bay, Broad Bay, Lynnhaven Inlet, the Chesapeake Bay and the Atlantic Ocean. The Dive Team searches for victims of swimming, diving, boating, skiing and airplane accidents. They also provide mutual aid to local, regional and state agencies.

To prepare for the various types of water environments, the Dive Team holds practical training drills once a month, usually on Sundays. Held at various lakes and borrow pits around town in season, and at the Great Neck Recreation Center in winter, the drills simulate one or more drowning victims. The divers practice dive rescue techniques, various scenarios and safety drills. In each of these training drills, the emphasis is on safety.

Occasionally, the Dive Team is called upon to assist in some very unusual circumstances. One of the more interesting events took place several years ago when a young dolphin became stranded in Broad Bay as winter approached. For several days, various agencies tried to locate and capture this mammal which

gained national attention.

"Rascal," as he became known, eluded capture. When later attempts to net the dolphin were made, the EMS Dive Team was called in as a precaution to lend assistance in the event divers became entangled or trapped during the rescue attempt. Eventually Rascal was corralled whereupon he was hoisted into the Ocean Park Rescue Squad ambulance and transported to the airport for a flight to Sea World.

Unfortunately, most rescues do not have such a happy ending. The majority of Dive Team calls are for drownings. The drownings occur most often in borrow pits and pools. Each year there are three to four drownings in borrow pits and an additional two or three in swimming pools. Children comprise the largest group of victims of accidental drownings. Most often the younger children are the victims of swimming pool accidents as they often times slip by their parents. The older children most often drown in borrow pits. Left unsupervised, they are naturally drawn to water especially on hot, summer days. Of all the calls, the

drowning of a child takes the greatest toll on the motions of Dive Team members.

The Dive Team has been in existence for more than 20 years. Back in the early 1970s, members of the Ocean Park and Chesapeake Beach Volunteer Rescue Squads were frequently dispatched to drowning calls at the Lynnhaven Inlet, as well as neighboring lakes and borrow pits. At that time the squads had many members who were former Navy Underwater Demolition Team (UDT) divers. These men along with other interested divers formed the beginning of the EMS Dive Team. One of the early members was only 15 years old when he joined.

Requirements for membership on the Dive Team have changed since those early days. Today you must be 19 years old, have advanced open water certification by a recognized authority, have 25 hours of open water diving (12 must have been within the last 12 months), have current CPR certification, be certified at a minimum level of Virginia First Responder, and have defensive driving (DDC) or emergency vehicle opera-

tors course (EVOC) certifications.

In the near future, the Dive Team will have what is known as an underwater "sled." This sled will be towed behind a boat and will pull two divers underwater. The diver will be able to make large sweeps in a more timely and efficient manner. This sled will also provide greater safety for the diver as he won't have to fight the currents.

The city of Virginia Beach is a wonderful community in which to live. It offers a variety of educational, cultural and outdoor opportunities. The city has the finest public safety personnel to be found anywhere. Our EMS Dive Team certainly epitomizes the dedication and caring of our citizens who give so unselfishly of their time and expertise to provide these valuable and needed services.

If you are interested and would like to join this specialized team, contact the Department of Emergency Medical Services recruitment coordinator at 437-4850.

Anne Taylor, assistant for support services for Virginia Beach's Emergency Medical Services, contributed to this column.

### The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyera Oberdorf

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Photo by Carole J. Arnold

### She really "digs" her new hat

Mayor Meyera Oberdorf models a "Digger" hat presented for her collection by the U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II. This hat, a part of the official regalia of the WWII Subvets, represents the close ties American submariners had with the Aussies while operating out of Brisbane and Perth during the war. The Tidewater and Northern Virginia Chapters of the U.S. Submarine Veterans of World War II will host the 40th national convention of their organization Oct. 2-9. America's submarines, representing less than 2 percent of the naval forces during World War II, are credited with the sinking of 55 percent of those enemy ships sunk, both merchant and men of war, but at the tremendous sacrifice of more than 20 percent of the U.S. submarine force. Standing with the mayor, from left, are Dick Baker, Pierre Dispenette, Emil Pope, Ralph Womeldorf and John McHone.

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Auction: 1979 BUICK REGAL (6574)  
Serial Number: #4J47Y9G1302-94  
Auction Date: OCT. 10, 1994  
Time: 11:00 a.m. at Norfolk Motor Company, 7000 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk, Virginia 23518.  
Norfolk Motor Company Reserves the right to Bid.  
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**Public Notice**

The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, October 12, 1994 at 12:00 Noon in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Courthouse, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE. AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

**SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:**

1. Appeal from Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John Clardy, M.D. Property is located at 3424 Litchfield Road. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

**CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:**

2. An Ordinance upon Application of J. Ray Potter, Gordon B. Potter & Deans S. Potter, Jr., Ua Potter Properties, a Virginia General Partnership for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-15 Residential District to O-2 Office District on certain property located at the southwest corner of First Colonial Road and Wildwood Drive. The proposed zoning classification change to O-2 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for low density residential at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 9.682 acres. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of BECO Construction, Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-3 Community Business District to R-7.5 Residential District at the southeast corner of Shore Drive & Bayberry Street on Lots 58, 59, 108 and 109, Cape Story by The Sea, Section 1. The proposed zoning classification change to R-7.5 is for single family residential land

use on lots no less than 7,500 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for low density residential at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 29,900 square feet. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Sea Escape Corporation for a Conditional Change of Zoning District Classification from RT-1 Resort Tourist District to RT-2 Resort Tourist District on certain property located on the northeast and southeast corners of the Atlantic Avenue and 17th Street intersections. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional RT-2 is for a free-standing eating and drinking establishment. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for a resort facility center. Said parcel contains 30,000 square feet or more. VIRGINIA BEACH BOROUGH.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Handhold Associates, a Virginia General Partnership, for a Change of Zoning District Classification from A-12 Apartment District to R-10 Residential District on certain property located at the southeast corner of Perrell Parkway and Awocedown Road. The proposed zoning classification change to R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for single family residential at densities that are compatible with single family in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 5.61 acres. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Beach Church of Christ for a Conditional Use Permit for a church on the southeast corner of Holland Road and Stoneshore Road. Said parcel is located at 3420 Holland Road, Room #111, and contains 1150 square feet. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Daugherty-Lee Inc., T/A Affordable Tent Co., for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle rentals (trucks) at the southwest corner of 21st Street and Cypress Avenue. Said parcel is located at 700 21st Street and contains 20,224 square feet. VIRGINIA BEACH BOROUGH.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of B.M. Stanton, Jr., for a Conditional Use Permit for a car wash on the southwest side of Indian River Road, 300 feet more or less southeast of Kempville Road. Said parcel is located at 5217 Indian River Road and contains 33,802.56 square feet. KEMPSVILLE BOROUGH.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Cellular Ltd. Partnership for a Conditional Use Permit for a communication tower on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Atlantic Avenue and 57th Street. Said parcel contains 3.2 acres. VIRGINIA BEACH BOROUGH.

**AMENDMENT:**

10. Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain Section 701 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to use regulations for communication towers in the H-1 Hotel District.

11. Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain the Comprehensive Plan pertaining to land use policies to comply with the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act.

12. Appeal from Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John W. & Ellen M. Blumig. Property is located at 2276 Greenwell Road. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

13. An Ordinance upon Application of The Southland Corporation for a Conditional Use Permit for an automotive service station in conjunction with a convenience store at the northwest corner of Independence Boulevard and Edwin Drive. Said parcel is located at 496 Independence Boulevard and contains 1.061 acres. KEMPSVILLE BOROUGH.

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14. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Cellular Limited Partnership, Contel Cellular, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a 150-foot communications tower on certain property located 850 feet more or less west of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 925 feet north of Dam Neck Road. Said parcel contains 5.49 acres. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

15. Application of Gary V. & Wilma M. House for a change of conditions placed on the application for an open space promotion option and subdivision variances for Old Donation Farm Partnership on June 1, 1987. Property is located at 4136 Cheswick Lane. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

All interested persons are invited to attend.  
Robert J. Scott  
Planning Director  
If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the City Clerk's Office at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call: TDD only at 427-4305. (TDD - Telephone Device for the Deaf).  
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**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE  
IN RE: KATHARINE JANE (CARROLL) DONAHUE, Plaintiff vs.

PETER LEE DONAHUE, Defendant

Case No. CH94-2732

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant, upon the grounds of desertion and/or 12 months separation.

It is ORDERED that PETER LEE DONAHUE appear and protect his interest, on or before October 14th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 23, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk  
38-37  
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**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: Georgiana Jordan Basnie, aka Georgiana Jordan Cotton, Plaintiff vs.

George Cotton, Defendant  
Case No. CH94-1976

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant on the grounds of a one year separation.

It is ORDERED that George Cotton appear and protect his interest, on or before October 13th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

**publication.**

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: August 22, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk  
35-8  
49-23S

**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, on the 25th day of August, 1994.

In re: Name Change - Regina Sike Brown

By: Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner,

To: Reginald William Brown IN CHANCERY #94-2817

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

This day came Vivian Hemingway, Petitioner, and represented that the object of this proceeding is to effect the name change of the above named infant, Regina Sike Brown to be known as Regina Sike Hemingway, and affidavit having been made and filed that Reginald William Brown, a natural parent of said child, is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, the last known post office address being: in the State of Illinois (street address unknown).

It is therefore Ordered that the said Reginald William Brown appear before this Court within ten (10) days after publication of this Order and indicate his attitude toward the proposed adoption, or otherwise do what is necessary to protect his interest in this matter.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once each week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

A copy testee:  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Tammy Mening, D.C.  
Michael R. Davis, p.q.  
One Columbus Center  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462  
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**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: The adoption of Amanda Lynn Gruber by John Norfolk

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is for John Norfolk to adopt Amanda Lynn Gruber

It is ORDERED that Mark Wesley Brady appear and protect his interest, on or before October 17th, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

It is further Ordered that a copy of this Order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this city.

Date: August 26, 1994  
A copy testee:  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Tammy Mening, D.C.  
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**Public Notice**

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA

**BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE**

IN RE: Vera Suiter Beans, Plaintiff vs.

Benjamin J. Alexander-Beans, Defendant

Case No. 94-2775

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant on the grounds of having lived separate and apart in excess of one year.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: September 6, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk  
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410-7S

**Public Notice**

Take notice, that on 9/24/94, at 10:00 A.M., at the premises of 4747 Shore Drive, Virginia Beach, Va., the undersigned will sell at public auction, for cash, reserving unto itself, the right to bid, the following vehicle:

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1988 CADILLAC BROUGHAM  
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BAYSIDE MOTORS  
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IN RE: The adoption of Katie Lee Stevens by Steven K. Bottom

Case No. CA94-174

**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of this suit is for Steven K. Bottom to adopt Katie Lee Stevens.

It is ORDERED that Daniel M. Stevens appear and protect his interest, on or before November 3, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

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# Mayor's letter supports SPSA regional garbage disposal

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

A letter from Mayor Meyers Oberndorf asking local congressmen to support a bill that would permit the Southeastern Public Service Authority to continue handling the region's garbage disposal has elicited some questions from Virginia Beach City Council members.



Oberndorf

Council has taken no action on the issue, but Oberndorf said that she wrote the letter as chairman of SPSA and did not indicate that she expressed the opinion of council members.

SPSA is the agency that handles garbage disposal and recycling for the eight southside Virginia localities. Private companies want to contract with localities to dispose of the

garbage at landfills throughout the state operated by the private companies. They say it would be cheaper. Oberndorf agreed that tipping fees at landfills are cheaper than what SPSA must charge, but SPSA is running a comprehensive solid waste disposal program "because of the mandated recycling requirements. The tipping must be higher than if we had just a pure landfill operation."

What the "flow control legislation" under consideration by Congress would do is allow localities with a regional program of solid waste disposal to continue as they have been.

Otherwise, Oberndorf said, the planning and bond financing undertaken by SPSA in good faith over the past years would be jeopardized. Under Virginia Beach's contract with SPSA, the city must provide at least 95 percent of the solid waste created in Virginia Beach.

Oberndorf pointed out that Virginia Beach was not an original member, but participated because without the Virginia Beach trash the operation would not be viable. Virginia Beach generated the most trash and without this trash, the operation would

not be viable.

Her letter states: "Without flow control, a considerable amount of the solid waste produced in this regional will be diverted to landfills on the Virginia Peninsula and farther west in Virginia."

Under a mandate from Congress, she said that the South Hampton Roads area through the SPSA has engaged in a very ambitious program

**"Without flow control, a considerable amount of the solid waste produced in this region will be diverted to landfills on the Virginia Peninsula . . ."**

Mayor Meyers Oberndorf

to recycle waste through a waste to energy plan with a contract with the Norfolk Naval Shipyard and also to recycle as much of the other material

as possible, including recycling of white goods (used appliances), tires, plastic, tin and aluminum containers and many other recyclable products.

The legislation will help SPSA meet its monetary requirements and also the recycling requirements mandated by the Federal Government, she said.

She said that Congressman Owen Pickett, Norman Sisisky and others have indicated they will support the legislation.

Oberndorf said that city council may ask to withdraw from SPSA and handle its own garbage, but "I don't support it." She said that council has agreed as a member of SPSA to pay off the bonds.

She said that the city has tried to do what the federal government wanted, but "We were told that landfills were not acceptable, but many landfills have been permitted to operate in the State of Virginia."

Oberndorf said that she would ask SPSA for a recommendation from SPSA's attorney.

She cautioned that experience has shown that once a private operator has a contract with the city, the cost escalates. Some cities have gone to disposal fees, from residents. "But I don't support this," she said that the city would have less control.

Oberndorf said, however, that she stands ready to write a letter saying

she did not represent a council decision, but no request was made by any of the council members, including Nancy Parker who brought the letter up for discussion.

Councilman Robert K. Dean, who sponsored the appearance of private operators at a council session some months ago, said that SPSA borrowed

\$4 to \$6 million to build a facility and the private sector was not part of the bidding process.

Oberndorf said that no money has been borrowed for the facility yet. Dean also said that in 1992 the city had to pay to have paper hauled out but now companies are paying the cities for the paper.

## Real estate hike possible for sand

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tion would not be used. Henley said that certain steps had to be reached to meet the requirements of the Corps and that the funding was the next step.

"We wanted to be certain we would have the funding first," she said.

It's possible, said Lilley, that the special taxes would be collected before all the easements are acquired. But whatever is collected in a special district must be spent in that district, he said.

Oberndorf wanted to know what would happen if any of the property owners refuse to dedicate easements.

Lilley said that his direction has been to get 100 percent voluntary

dedication.

Councilman W.W. Harrison Jr. asked whether the city had condemnation powers in this instance. Lilley said he would "rather cross that bridge when we come to it."

Oberndorf said that her personal position would not support condemnation. Henley pointed out that "the position of this council for several years has been voluntary dedication and the people know that."

Councilmember Robert K. Dean said that the concern of several of his constituents is the possible involuntary taking. Also, he pointed out, because of the possible tax deductions for the additional taxes the Federal government would be paying more.

## Back to the conference room

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

City council will move back into the council conference room for its informal sessions starting next Tuesday with or without TV.

But since most council members want the session to be televised, they have to decide whether to spend \$20,000 to \$30,000 to wire the room for television (most of the cost will result from asbestos containment costs) or to settle for a panoramic view of council with a set camera.

Mayor Meyers Oberndorf said that she did not mind the conference room, but preferred TV coverage.

"I haven't seen a more aggressive, blunt council in my memory," she added.

Vice Mayor William D. Sessions Jr., who brought up the subject (which has been bounced around for months) said, "It seemed we were fairly solid about going into the

conference room. The public will be welcome."

Councilwoman Barbara Henley said that she found a comfortable level of understanding from the public. The council needs a chance to be more informal, she said.

"That's the way you get work done," she noted.

Henley said a lot of issues can be ironed out before they get to the formal council meetings, and in the past when council had the meetings in the conference room, the "public was always back there." She said it was just to get that "roll-up-your-sleeves" atmosphere.

For councilwoman Louisa Strayhorn, who has become a sort of Miss Manners on council, the main concern was for members to be "kind." She said council should not unduly impose on any staff members, but be careful to be kind to people. "In addition to being kind to people who come before us, we

can be kind to each other."

Councilman Robert K. Dean was curious about how decorum was going to be maintained without using Roberts Rules of Order.

"Suppose Mr. (Louis R.) Jones and Mr. (John D.) Moss have a conversation while others were talking..." he asked.

"We'll apologize for that," said Jones.

Dean also added that in reaction to Strayhorn's statement that members should try to make their statements brief, "It's not my fault Mr. (John A.) Baum (Blackwater representative), or somebody else comes to council with not much to say."

Henley remarked that the conference room system worked well during all the years it was done. The meeting were moved out to the council chambers only four years ago.

## Wetland banking is a first

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manager to execute the memorandum of agreement for a wetland banking system.

A Mitigation Review Team (MRT) including the city would be created. In addition to the city, other members would be the Corps, the Environmental Protection Agency, the Fish and Wildlife Service, the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Virginia Marine Resources Commission, and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science.

Jones said he would like to have representatives of all the

members sign the MOA at the same time.

Richard Nettleson, of the city's civil engineering staff, said that the program will streamline the process and improve agency coordination. The agreement, he said, was designed for Eastern United States.

Mayor Meyers Oberndorf said she would prefer "willing sellers" of the sites for the mitigation area rather than resort to condemnation.

Jones said that the sites chosen will probably be farmland which was originally wetlands — before it was drained for agriculture.

Public Works' John Herzke said that it would not include projects presently underway.



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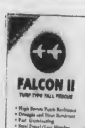
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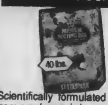


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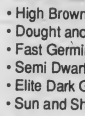
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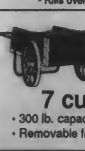


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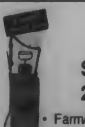
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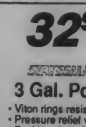
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## Beach woman setting goals for Olympic gold in 1996

Laurel Martin finds success on U.S. Field Hockey team

By VICTORIA EDWARDS  
Sun Editor

Laurel Martin wants to make one thing perfectly clear: field hockey is nothing like lacrosse, so don't confuse the two.

"I'll start talking to people who know nothing about field hockey, and they'll start talking about it like it's lacrosse — but they are drastically different," the 25-year-old explained from her Chick's Beach home. "Even the field is different: lacrosse has

no boundaries, and field hockey is ruled by them."

Martin knows her field hockey, all right; but then she should since she is headed to the 1996 Summer Olympics in Atlanta — if her good fortune keeps up. She has been a member of the U.S. Field Hockey Team for four years now.

Yet growing up just outside Hershey, Penn., thoughts of trying the sport, much less regularly playing it, rarely entered

her mind.

"I had run cross country, but my freshman year of high school I really started to despise running," she laughed, "so I decided I'd try a different sport and that was field hockey. The coach approached me about it, and my mother would play and I used to watch her. But I thought it was a silly kind of sport and didn't like it. So it was strange that I actually decided to try out."

But what Martin formerly thought of as "silly" soon became her calling. She didn't just play, she excelled. In her first year on the team at Lower Dauphin High School, Martin even went to the Keystone State Games (a high honor).

"From there I continued to improve and went to the Junior Olympics, sports festivals and in my senior year was named High School All American," she reminisced.

Her talent in field hockey paved the way for her college education. On a scholarship, she attended the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and majored in radio/television/film with the intention of becoming a sports broadcaster.

Still field hockey remained the one constant in Martin's life.

Playing on the forward line, she recalled with a smile, "We were the ACC champions four years in a row, and my junior year we were the national champs. I started my freshman year and played every game, except a couple due to injuries."

Winning just seemed to come naturally. "I was lucky when I started playing, because I was in a good, sound program and was taught the basics. I don't know if it's in my blood, but field hockey just seemed to click — so I stayed with it," Martin explained.

□ See FIELD, Page 3

## A big step for Sandbridge

Sand replenishment program is on its way

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

After years of wrangling over whether or not to replenish the sand on Sandbridge's beaches, the program is finally on its way to fulfillment.

With the blessings of the Sandbridge taxpayers, Virginia Beach City Council Tuesday approved draft ordinances that would establish a Sandbridge Special Service District, establish an additional four percent transient lodging tax rate in Sandbridge, establish an additional six cents real estate tax rate in Sandbridge and establish a Sandbridge Special Service District revenue fund.

Since a tax increase is involved, a public hearing, which will be held on Oct. 25, is required. The final vote on the ordinances has been scheduled for Nov. 1.

Three council members who have consistently voted against sand replenishment for Sandbridge, Robert K. Dean, John D. Moss and Nancy Parker, voted against the ordinances, which passed by a 7-3 vote. Councilwoman Louisa M. Strayhorn was absent.

Pungo council representative Barbara Henley supported the program, she said, because two criteria she had set back in 1986 when she

previously served on council have since been met.

They were to have a reliable sand source (in 1988 sand offshore was found to be a viable source and will be used in the replenishment) and a funding plan that would not strip the city in the future. The funding will be a combination of federal, state and city funds with the latter coming from the special real estate tax, lodging fees and Sandbridge revenue fund.

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will contribute 65 percent of the cost, with the city responsible for the remaining 35 percent.

The state, however, will pay \$2.8 million as the city's share of the initial \$8.8 million program. The money represents Virginia Beach's payment for state property at Camp Pendleton which, under an agreement, will be returned to the city for the replenishment program.

Henley said that a lot of hard work and compromises went into the Sandbridge replenishment plan. She pointed out for years the city has suggested the state come in on the project. The \$2.8 million appropriation she said, was supported unanimously in the Senate and by all members of the House except for one from Williamsburg.

She said that the plan places a

heavy burden on the property owners of Sandbridge.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf, who also has opposed the project in the past, said she backed the project now because providing sand replenishment at Ocean Park set a precedent, because of the State and Federal participation and the creation of the special service district. If there are federal dollars being spent anywhere then it should be spent in Virginia Beach, she said.

Speakers from the Oceanfront Property Owners Association and the Sandbridge Civic League supported the ordinances.

Bernie Williams, president of the Sandbridge Civic League, said that the Sandbridge community has shown overwhelming support for the "unique partnership" that has evolved.

In notarized statements, 88 percent of the residents indicated they approved a special service district. By now Williams said, the number may have increased and he knew of only four who objected.

In October, the city attorney's office will start acquiring easements from 250 property owners to give the public legal access to the beach, next stage in the program. Al-

□ See SANDBRIDGE, Page 3

## Three cheers for Neptune!

First festival cheering contest proves a success

By SASHA TOMEY

Sun Correspondent

No one could miss the beginning of the first Neptune Festival Cheerleading Competition Saturday.

Cheerleaders were everywhere. They rehearsed in the bathroom, letting out whoops and yells. They nearly overran McDonald's, taking the time to grab a quick lunch before the competition began. On the lawn and in nearly every spare space they practiced jumps, landings, splits and those all-important calls. Some even ventured out to the beach, where passersby watched as the enthusiastic youngsters spelled out the names of their teams and encouraged the crowd to join in the cheering.

"I saw all of these children practicing their cheers at recreation centers," Karen Darden one of the event's organizers explained. "I thought we have got to get them out of those rec centers and out where everybody can see them."

Darden called Neptune Festival organizers, who enthusiastically agreed. With the help of Cathy Mead and a host of volunteers Darden put together, one of the fest-

□ See THREE, Page 3



Can you spell "spirit"? These girls can! The Razorbacks gave it their all as they practiced before the Neptune Festival Cheerleading Competition last weekend.

## "Live from the conference room, it's Virginia Beach City Council!"

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

Virginia Beach City Council has chosen to broadcast its informal sessions live from the conference room at a cost of approximately \$44,000.

The informal sessions will be moved from the council chambers, which are already hooked up for live cable television broadcasts, to the conference room adjacent to the chambers as soon as the broadcast technology is in place.

The amendment adopted by council Tuesday also includes the third Tuesday of the month, when a formal council session is not scheduled (an informal session from 4 to 6 p.m.). Informal sessions where council receives briefings and re-

ports from the city manager, the city staff and city boards, commissions, committees and other city agencies, are generally held prior to the regular council sessions, but can be held at other times after appropriate notification to the public.

Council had previously considered using a still camera in the conference room or to have the informal sessions videotaped and broadcast later at a cost of approximately \$1,500 to \$4,000.

Councilman John D. Moss said, however, that he was in favor of a live broadcast.

Of the \$44,000 cost, he said, "I don't think we're missing public money."

Council had its informal sessions in the conference room until four

years ago when they were moved to the council chambers because of the television provision and to give the public greater access. Also, often information given in the informal sessions was repeated in the formal sessions. The public, however, is not excluded from conference room sessions and no formal votes will be taken at the meetings.

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf said that it would be cheaper and easier to remain in this setting (the council chambers) but "I will support the majority."

The changes were adopted by a vote of 9-1 with councilmember Linwood Branch dissenting. Councilmember Louisa Strayhorn was absent.

## City will advertise for special events program contractor

Weekly fireworks plan questioned

By LEE CAHILL

City Council Reporter

The city will soon advertise for bids for the resort special events program to contract out Virginia Beach's general entertainment and special events programs to an outside vendor.

In a presentation before city council Tuesday, James Ricketts, director of Convention and Visitor Development, suggested that the contract be awarded for two years, rather than one year, with an option for an additional year.

The original agreement of the current contractor, Virginia Beach Events Unlimited, Inc. (VBEU) extended from April 1 to Dec. 31, 1990 and was renewed for four consecutive, one-year terms from Jan.

1 to Dec. 31 of each year.

The city hopes to have the vendor selected by Dec. 31.

Council has agreed to remove from the contract an optional Courtesy Patrol and Oceanfront fireworks program.

Ricketts said that the popularity of the weekly fireworks programs is questionable and will be evaluated. Also, beach merchants believe the fireworks, by drawing people away from the stores, hurts their business. The North American Fireworks Competition, a major special event, however, will be included in the contract.

The courtesy patrol will be continued but under separate funding. Councilman Robert K. Dean said that the volunteer patrol should be

self-funding.

Without the beach fireworks program, the major Fourth of July fireworks program would continue to be at Mount Trashmore, which can accommodate a greater number of people — 9,000 were reported to have attended the fireworks this year.

The weekly fireworks will be left out of the beach program until the city gets some feedback. Mayor Meyera Oberndorf noted the value of the courtesy patrol saying that people respond to the "southern hospitality" exemplified by the patrol more than anything else.

A proposal by Dean to include a family Labor Day celebration at Mount Trashmore in the contract

□ See CITY, Page 3



Marie McCann, left, and friend Jessie Cameron were nervous but smiling as they summed up the other teams Saturday at the Neptune Festival Cheerleading Competition.

# Commentary

## The lost art

When was the last time you took a pen in hand and wrote a letter? A month? A year? Ever?

Sadly enough, if so you are part of a growing majority. Just a small percentage of the more than one-half million pieces of mail sent daily in the United States are personal letters. Gone are the days when every personal letter handled by the Postal Service spoke eloquently for its sender.

Yet technology is replacing the way people communicate. Some would rather pick up the phone and make a long distance call. Others prefer computer bulletin boards to send messages.

But don't tell that to the people of all ages around the world who regularly receive messages from pen pals, or senior citizens who cherish letters from a grandchild or dear friend. For them, receiving a handwritten letter is a touching, personal experience.

Letters, after all, are a tangible expression of caring to be saved and enjoyed again.

But why then is letter writing almost extinct? The problem probably lies in that it takes time and effort, something people aren't willing to give up before business and social activities. Yet from the Revolutionary War days through Desert Storm and every conflict in between, letters from home have warmed the hearts of our service men and women. They are even kept in historical records from a personal perspective.

In an effort to rekindle the spirit of letter writing, this week the Postal Service is sponsoring National Card and Letter Writing Week. Schools and libraries are being encouraged to promote letter writing and literacy through planned activities. But adults should participate, too. For the small price of a postage stamp, you will feel accomplishment and cheer someone's day when they find that surprise letter in their mailbox. So get writing! — V.L.E.



## Seeking sanity in September

So what verities can we cling to in this September of our discontent?

■ That the General Assembly is in special session to consider a controversial proposal — parole abolition and truth in sentencing — therefore, mucho political posturing is occurring? Yes, bet on it. Governor Allen has a plan to close the revolving door that lets too many vicious thugs out of prison too quickly to prey on innocent people again.

### Richmond Response

By Robert Holland

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ventioners at a hooshy-koochy show.

Moreover, the virtues of fiscal conservatism are being espoused by members of the Religious Left, who were ga-ga over the Clinton's scheme to nationalize health care. (2) an old sofie who ought to be denying parole to violent criminals already behind bars, rather than making parole abolition effective January 1. That blast came from Democratic Lieutenant Governor Beyer, once again a Donnie-come-lately on

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a major issue.

(3) a crypto-Hitlerite and racist because the majority of the penal population is black. That critique comes from the usual suspects at the terminally irrelevant National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Never mind that truth in sentencing will reduce racial disparities in time served by convicted felons. And never mind that those who don't want to fall under a new no-parole standard have the simple alternative of... not committing any more crimes.

Cut away all the posturing and there appears to be considerable bipartisan support for lengthening violent offenders' sentences and the cer-

tainity that they will serve hard time. Allen indeed may be helped by the sheer incoherence of his enemies.

His critics say Virginia should concentrate on prevention, not punishment. But those two objectives are not mutually exclusive. There are many preventive steps Virginians could take with young people that would not cost vast new sums of money.

For example, children could be required to wear uniforms to school. That could cut down on the ritual of taking and then defending expensive sneakers, jewelry, and designer clothes.

And (pardon the revolutionary thought) schools could teach children to read before they leave the third grade. Robert Sweet, President of the National Right to Read Foundation, has pointed out that 85 to 90 percent of juvenile offenders are illiterate.

Yet national "systemic reform" is leading schools further away from the structure and the phonics that most children, especially children in crime-prone inner cities, desperately need.

■ That Virginia politics will be nasty, unpredictable, and a general source of mirth throughout the Republic?

Yes, this, too has become a certainty in the last quarter of the 20th Century. The Byrd Machine was dull. Aspirants patiently waited their turn to be anointed for statewide office by The Patriarch. But new con-

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## How's this for a great invasion?

Now that the great invasion is over and U.S. troops occupy the little Republic of Haiti, perhaps it is time for the American people to stop and take a look at what has happened so far.

While it has been reported that no Americans were killed when they landed (the real truth will come out later), there have been many killings by Haitians of other Haitians.

Nine Haitians were killed by U.S. Marines last Saturday night outside a police station. The first report from the Pentagon stated that the Haitians fired first, but that report was later cleared up when Col. Tom Jones, (commanding officer of the Marine Air-Ground Task Force) said, "One of our patrols saw a gesture by an individual with an Uzi machine gun. He took that individual out and a firefight began."

We must remember now that the "individual that was taken out" (along with the other eight) was on his own soil posing no security threat to the U.S. whatsoever. What is troubling to me about all this and what should be troubling to members of the black race is the justification Bill Clinton used to invade a small, defenseless republic like Haiti, which is predominantly black and shoot its citizens down on the streets.

If the same thing happened in the U.S. it would be called murder and racist and cities would burn. But apparently it's OK to do it outside of the U.S.

Clinton justifies the invasion by saying, "We did it to stop the killings." If that is the case, then the next invasion should take place in Washington, D.C., the crime capital of the world. On occasion the new mayor-to-be Marion Barry could probably muster up an army of thugs that could ward off any serious assault Clinton and his generals could mount.

It is no secret that some members of the Congressional Black Caucus led by Congressman Charlie Rangel urged Clinton to invade Haiti. It is puzzling why a group of black congressmen would encourage a white president to kill other blacks.

Obviously a double standard is involved here, because murder and racism are the same no matter in what country it takes place. Rest assured there will be other killings on both sides, and voodoo spells besides.

We did the same thing in Cuba when we drove out Fulgencio Batista, a dictator friendly to the U.S. and replaced him with communist dictator Fidel Castro in 1959, and he is still there. Word is out that there is talk of giving that great peacekeeper Jimmy Carter the Nobel Peace Prize for his work at Haiti. He deserves it. He made Bill Clinton look like a fool. But enough of that, let's get on with something more serious like the O.J. Simpson trial.

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## Just "meat" me at the P.O.

And now from World of the Weird and Wacky comes "Things Vicky Gets in the Mail."

It constantly amazes me the crazy things that come earmarked to the editor here at the newspaper, to the bottle of dirt I once received during a fertilizer company promotion, to the bottle of T a b a s c o Sauce from the Virginia Department of Transportation.



### Off The Cuff

By Victoria Edwards, editor

If you remember a few months back, I emptied my garbage can and sorted through the day's mail to prove just how much junk mail comes here. I also marveled at the fact that companies actually spend millions, even billions, of dollars annually to mail the press things in duplicate, triplicate and even quadruplicate (if that's a real word).

Just when I thought the bag of dirt I received was the icing on the cake, I soon discovered I was wrong. Woefully wrong.

Lo and behold, about two weeks ago a box arrived. Understandably I was not expecting to discover the odd contents inside.

It was a large, flat box about two feet long. And it was very light. Eagerly I grabbed the scissors to slash it open. Everyone crowded around, because they enjoy seeing the crazy gimmicks.

"It's a steak!" I said in surprise as I pulled it out from the box for my cohorts to see.

"A steak?" they asked puzzled.

"Yep, lookie here. It's even got a bottle of steak sauce with it and is bar coded. It says this steak is meant just for me. Ya'll can't have any."

They frowned.

"Gotcha!" I smiled. "Really it's a cardboard steak. Nobody's going to be eating it unless they're craving

some more fiber in their diet."

"But why was it sent to you?" one inquisitive colleague asked.

"Good question," I said. "But there's no answer because they didn't enclose a press release."

"Weird!" was the one-word response I got.

I still have no idea why it was sent, but everyone sure did want to claim it.

"That would look really cool hanging up on the wall in a kitchen," my colleague Sandy said. "It would be an attention-getter."

I set it against the wall of my office, sure it would elicit some intriguing responses from folks who came by to drop off news items.

"Won't that meat go bad if you don't refrigerate it?" one lady queried.

"Possibly," I smiled.

From another woman: "God, would you look at the size of that steak! You could feed five people with it!"

And, of course, "Why, please, do you have meat sitting in your office? Do you moonlight as a butcher?"

After a while, though, the thrill wore off. No one noticed the steak anymore. Instead of sitting there like a practical jokester, it looked rather down — like a jester beyond his prime. I made the decision that it was time to say "goodbye."

The next day a fella came in here and commented on the steak. Eagerly I jumped up.

"Would you like it? It would make a great joke."

He looked at me like I was off my rocker.

"Oh, let me explain," I continued. "It's not a real steak. If it were it would be quite rotten by now."

The man accepted, taking the cardboard steak home like a trophy. I was somewhat sad to see the piece of meat go, but I knew it had served its purpose here.

The very next morning I got a call.

"Hello, this is (name withheld) from the Heinz 57 Great Steak Sauce Challenge," the woman began. "I was wondering if you got the steak I sent you."

So that explains it! Wonder what the post office has in store for me next, because that's going to be pretty hard to top.

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My parents recently returned to the United States after spending a few weeks in Canada visiting relatives. I asked my mother about Canadian medical care. Was it as effective as we remembered? How had Canadian medicine evolved in the 30 years since we'd all used it?

Y o u should ask your cousin Sandy," she said. "She sees the abuses."

My cousin works in a doctor's office. My mother then told me that when my uncle needed to see a specialist for chest pains, he was given an appointment. He went home to wait for the two months until he could see a doctor. When members of his family could no longer bear to see him suffer, they called for emergency assistance. Shortly after he arrived at the hospital, it was discovered that those chest pains were one heart attack after another.

"(Canadian medical care) worked fine when you were little," my mother said. "But now you wait and wait."

Later that day I had to take my husband to the emergency room of a local civilian hospital. The staff was gracious and genuinely seemed to care for my husband and the other patients they treated.

The wait was about as long as we'd expected had he gone to a military facility. He returned home not knowing anything about his condition except that he was sick and the doctors

felt he needed to suffer a little longer before having more extensive tests.

I sat in the waiting room and realized what I have been wrestling with in my own mind and in this column for the past couple weeks. In my opinion the national health care proposal as written will reduce American medicine to emergency room care.

Most of us will suffer through long waits, perfunctory care, and in the end will receive consults to other physicians. As a military wife, I am all too familiar with the type of Band-Aid mentality that accompanied such conditions. Temporary fixes take the place of preventive measures and correcting the underlying problems.

First Lady Hillary Clinton made an important point when she explained that the paper trail alone costs our nation millions in health care dollars. But I do not understand why she is proposing managed care instead of going after free-standing hospitals and corporations who intentionally balk medical insurance companies.

Why didn't she put her energy into going after the pharmaceutical companies that hold many hostage all in the name of making a hefty profit? And why haven't we heard more about the suggestion that there be a cap on the amount of money that can be received for malpractice suits?

"You can see a doctor any time you want for free!" my friend Elizabeth told me. "I don't know why you're sniping at military medicine."

Elizabeth is not the only person who seems to find that military dependents should mind their own business and not make comparisons between the present national health care proposal and what we receive as medical care.

The sad fact is there are thousands of Vietnam veterans who would be glad to tell Elizabeth what free medical care has done for them. In exchange for putting their lives on the

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## Sandbridge residents give sand plan OK

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though the beaches have been used by the public for years, the legal easements are required to make the project qualify for federal funds.

Some concern was expressed about where the lines will be drawn. James Matthews said that his property is not in the part of the beach that is threatened, but some people were concerned about how much property they will lose. He said the plan looks as though the line will go right through one neighbor's living room.

City Attorney Leslie Lilley said that the lines will not be drawn through anyone's home and that a different agreement will be reached for each property.

Only one speaker registered dissent.

Low Pace of Hunt Club Forest, said he "opposed this because I hate taxes. I don't like the fact that

some people have to pay extra taxes."

He suggested using TGIF (Tourism Growth Investment Fund) at Sandbridge.

The replenishment program after the initial program will be continued at two- and four-year cycles at a cost of \$5.2 for each replenishment. The cost will be funded by the Corps (65 percent) and the city (35 percent).

The special Sandbridge fund that will be set up will include revenue from the additional real estate tax, the additional lodging tax, revenues from the Little Island Fishing Pier, revenues from the Little Island Parking Lot, and a direct contribution generated from profits at Sandbridge parking lots operated by the Parking Enterprise Fund of \$10,000 effective Jan. 1, 1995.

All of the new revenue will be effective Jan. 1.

## Field hockey player aims high

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With all that talent, she took the next logical step: trying out for the U.S. Field Hockey Team.

With the Russians pulling out of the World Cup competition, head coach Beth Anders (formerly of Old Dominion University) had very little time to field a team for the competition.

"We only had about one week to gather together and prepare a team, something other people spent years doing. So Beth got a traveling squad together, and I was one of the girls who tried out. We went to the World Cup and lost almost every single game. In essence, we got humiliated by every team," she said.

But it was a valiant effort.

"We were fighters. We really tried," she said proudly. "But it's like a fairy tale, because now, four years later, we've finished third in the world. We've come from being last and losing to teams by eight goals to being third and beating the past gold medalists. We've upset teams that had absolutely no respect for us and thought we would never be a contender."

With the Olympics less than two years away, Martin continued, life is going to get very hectic.

"These next couple of years are going to be full-time. Before that, field hockey took about three-quarters of the year. That's why we work to get as much income into our pockets so we can afford to continue to play."

But finding an employer willing to accept an Olympic hopeful's schedule is difficult.

"We need a company willing to work with you, so that's why most of the girls don't have

jobs," she stated.

But the positives far outweigh the negatives, even though the crazy schedules play havoc with personal lives.

"We've been to a lot of places: New Zealand, Australia, Cuba, England, Ireland, Germany. We've been a lot of places, places I wouldn't have gone otherwise. This sport has given me so much — my education, my travelling and a lot of good stories for the future, I guess."

Accommodating her field hockey career has caused Martin to restructure her life quite a bit, but she's rolling with the punches.

"We did not qualify for the '92 Olympics, even though my plans all along were to graduate from college, go to the '92 Olympics, stop playing field hockey, find a career and get on with my life."

She paused, reflecting on the way things have turned out.

"But it's an honor (to be on the team). A lot of people try out, and then there's those who come on the team for four months and decide they don't want to any longer. It's hard work."

But Martin has the guts and determination to go the distance. She credits her husband, James, (they will celebrate their first anniversary Oct. 14) as her Rock of Gibraltar.

"James is extremely understanding about it all. We've only been married a year and he's realized that everything else has to pretty much come second to field hockey. He's great," she said.

Martin will soon need her husband's support more than ever, when Atlanta becomes the team's home base in June for in-



Courtesy Photo

Playing the forward line of the U.S. Field Hockey Team, Laurel Martin of Virginia Beach found the sport came naturally to her as a freshman in high school.

tensive training.

"I'm really excited about it, but it makes it really difficult for my husband. I'm the only married one on the squad, and he's got school to worry about (he is pursuing a degree in civil engineering)," she explained. Despite the rigors, Martin is

determined to juggle it all well.

"I don't know if I'll be any good at it; it will be stressful. But you do the best you can do and see what happens."

It's hard to doubt that Martin won't score a success...both on and off the field.

## City will advertise for special events contractor

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failed to win over the rest of council. Dean said that the cost would be about \$45,000, with about \$25,000 picked up by vendors. The idea was to have a family type activity with no alcohol and with special entertainment provided.

Mayor Meyers Oberdorfer said the city did not have to do anything to attract people to Trashmore on Labor Day. She said that it is already used extensively on Labor Day. She said that she was opposed to having an event large enough to conflict with the American Music Festival over the Labor Day weekend at the beachfront.

Dean's suggestion of having some national entertainment at Trashmore on Labor Day was put on hold until budget time when it will be considered with the budget of Parks and Recreation Department.

During the 1994 calendar year, Ricketts reported that the total VBEU budget for the general entertainment component of special events is \$293,217 while the budget for the major events component

is \$1,578,067. The city contributes \$169,885 for the former and \$700,519 (derived mostly from the transient tax) for the latter. The city appropriations are supplemented with sponsorships, in-kind services and concession revenues. The administrative cost of the combined components is \$348,332 or 18.6 percent of the total VBEU projected program budget.

Major events scheduled this year included the National Fireworks Competitions and the American Music Festival but under the proposed contract, the vendor would also be required to plan one or more major events during the period from Thanksgiving through the New Year's holidays.

## Military Christian Fellowships plans World Conference in Virginia Beach

The Association of Military Christian Fellowships will hold its 1994 World Conference at Founders Inn and Conference Center in Virginia Beach Oct. 6-10.

Sunday's session on Oct. 9 at 7:15 p.m. is open to the public. Maj. Gen. John Grimalds (Ret.) is the featured speaker.

More than 1,000 military Christians from 92 countries will gather to worship, fellowship, pray and learn together under the conference theme, "Partners in the Gospel." Currently more than 450 U.S. military participants and another 500 from countries around the world are scheduled to attend.

The conference is sponsored by AMCF, a non-political, interdenominational association of national military Christian fellowships. Member organizations of AMCF are autonomous, self-supporting entities developed along national lines. They are united by "The International Prayer" and by the common motto, "All One in Christ Jesus."

Daily registrations are available for those who cannot attend all of the conference. For more information about the conference or to register, call the conference command center at 420-5828.

## Three cheers for King Neptune

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tival's noisiest and most exciting events. As cheerleaders and parents crowded into the Norwegian Lady Plaza on 25th Street in Virginia Beach individual teams quickly ran through their drills on stage.

Twenty-seven cheerleading groups were represented in this year's competition. They came from as far away as Hampton and Newport News. Ranging in age from 6 to 16 they had one goal in mind: to win one of the big beautiful gold trophies for their team.

"Cheerleading has gotten so big in this city it's unbelievable," Mead stated.

Televised national cheerleading competitions have brought cheerleading from being a side-line activity to a sport all its own. Both Mead and Darden believe that cheerleading is more than just getting the crowd enthusiastic. It is about athletics, discipline and learning to work together as a team.

"It is a challenging sport," Jessie Cameron said. The 15-year-old was just a little nervous about her first competition.

"This is my first year of cheerleading," she confided. "We just want a trophy."

Cameron's friend 14-year-old Marie McCann said she was "just a little excited."

Woodstock Recreation Center cheerleaders reported that they too were excited.

"It's really fun," stated Heather Zilo. "I've been cheering for two or three years now."

A fellow cheerleader stated that her smile and keeping close track of the rhythm would help her win over the judges.

Erin Cashdollar explained that dance classes both ballet and jazz have become a necessity for today's cheerleader.

"I like the dance best," the 11-year-old said.

"It's interesting to see other cheerleaders," Jennifer Brenzo stated. "I've been cheering at the rec center for almost four years. This is the first time we saw the other cheerleaders. It's fun."

**"Cheerleading has gotten so big in this city ..."**

Cathy Mead, cheerleading volunteer

The Newport News Hurricanes, many still wearing pink foam curlers practiced their stretches on the sidewalk next to the street. "We slowed traffic," a young girl laughed. "Now maybe they will come and watch. We are going to be stars!"

Miranda Macaluso didn't have to do much to garner instant celebrity status. Dressed in team colors, the 2-year-old mascot for the Woodstock Stealers made it clear that she was enthusiastic. She greeted everyone with an enthusiastic smile and sometimes a hug.

"The girls are competing in the Pee Wee League," Macaluso's father said as he grabbed his daughter before she could make her way into the crowd. "She's very enthusiastic."

As organizers approached the microphones and began announcing the names of the individual squads' cheers and applause greeted them.

"We will do this again next year," one festival organizer said. His announcement was met with the loudest cheer of all.



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The Larkspur-Salem Recreation Center Stealers prove poise is everything as they build a pyramid before the cheerleading competition at the oceanfront.

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You can also win prizes playing Money Bags on the radio. All you have to do is listen and call in to win. Beginning September 29, listen for the Money Bags Market News on WCDX FM 92.7.

When you hear the report, call in and you could be the lucky caller to win cash prizes up to \$1,000 or free Money Bags tickets. Prizes will be awarded several times a day every day except Sundays, through October 15. Listen to WCDX FM 92.7 to find out more about how you could win.

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Anniversary Fact #2: Lotto

The first Lotto drawing in Virginia (sometimes called Pick 6) was held on Saturday, January 27, 1990. Since then, Lotto players have won more than a billion dollars in cash prizes. This translates to \$4.2 million per week! Of the billion dollars won, \$850 million has gone to players who matched all six numbers to win the Lotto Jackpot, and \$158 million has gone to players who matched four or five of the six numbers drawn.

Be sure to check your Lotto

numbers carefully because you can win cash prizes even if your numbers do not match all six numbers drawn. Cash prizes are awarded for matching four or five of the numbers drawn, and a free ticket is awarded for matching three of the numbers drawn. Lotto drawings are held on Wednesday and Saturday nights at 11:20 p.m. Read more about the Lottery Drawings in next week's Lottery Connection.

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# THE ARTS SCENE

## Chilean poet reads works at Wesleyan

Chilean poet Majorie Agosin will read from her works this Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Hofheimer Theater at Virginia Wesleyan College. She will also lecture on human rights at 8 p.m. in the Boyd Dining Center. Admission is free, but reservations are requested.

Call the college at 455-3200 for reservations and more information. Agosin, a former Fulbright fellow, is currently an associate professor of Spanish at Wellesley College in Massachusetts. Her poetry addresses the theme of social injustice, giving voice, in particular, to the many Latin American women silenced by dictatorship.

"My writing is linked to the speech of those who do not speak," she explained in the *Bruhala Compass*. "Gags, blindfolds, mute women, women of smoke make up my texts, but my texts come also from the stratum of imagination."

Agosin is the author of "Circles of Pain," "Women of Smoke," "Zones of Smoke," "Zones of Pain," "Scraps of Cloth," and many other published works. She is in-

spired to write "Scraps of Cloth," which was the basis for a documentary produced for Public Broadcasting Service (PBS), while on a trip to Chile as a graduate student where she discovered the world of women who sew "apilleras," small wall-hangings made of cloth.

The images depicted on these wall-hangings show the misery and pleasures experienced by lower class Chilean women. Agosin immediately recognized that this art form was being subverted and used as a political tool, and set herself to the task of writing a book about these women.

Agosin, who was raised Jewish, said that her heritage has helped her work. She has had a privileged life, a wonderful family and a great education. Yet, she believes that being Jewish has helped her understand the disadvantaged, because even though Judaism is associated with power in the United States, in Latin America Jewish people are a minority. She writes not because her topics are fashionable, but to help those who are not as fortunate.

## Artists at Work Gallery debuts Chinese masters exhibit soon

Lee Gerry Werthimer, curator of the exhibition "Three Masters of China," brings to Artist at Work Gallery a show of oriental brush painting and traditional Chinese watercolor on ricepaper by three internationally-known Chinese artists, Wen-Jue Wang, Li-Hsiung Ju and Xiao Li Cai, Oct. 11-29.

There will be an open reception Sunday, Oct. 16 from 2 - 5 p.m., with a demonstration by Professor Li-Hsiung Ju starting at 3:15 p.m. in the upstairs gallery.

The exhibition is a step back in time to the China of yesterday, where one sees ancient techniques used by Chinese painters more than 2,000 years ago.

Wen-Jue Wang is the director of the Academy of Oriental Brush Painting in Suzhou, China. She teaches the advanced Master painting classes.

## Stockley Gardens Fall Arts Fest benefit set

Hope House Foundation, a non-profit organization founded in 1964 which provides support services for people with developmental disabilities, will host the 1994 Stockley Gardens Fall Arts Festival Oct. 15-16 at the Stockley Gardens Park in Norfolk.

The park is located on the corner of Stockley Gardens and Olney Road. The hours of the festival are Saturday from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon - 5 p.m. All proceeds benefit Hope House Foundation.

More than 130 artists have been selected to exhibit at the festival. The artists will cover every medium of fine art such as painting, ceramics, sculpture, photography, handmade jewelry, print-making and other art which defies all categories.

The judge for the Spring Festival is Dr. Ruth S. Appelhof, executive director of the Minnesota Museum of American Art in Saint Paul. Until recently, Appelhof was with the Art Museum of Western Virginia in Roanoke. The awards for the festival will be presented at an Artists' Reception to be held Saturday evening. Best in Show is \$1,000, second prize is \$500, third prize is \$250 and there will be five Awards of Merit at \$100 each.

A list of all award winners will be displayed at the Hope House Foundation Hospitality Booth Sunday, Oct. 16.

The student exhibition will feature college artists. Students from area colleges and universities will be selected to exhibit and compete for cash awards during the festival. The Futures Awards will also be presented at the Artists' Reception Saturday evening.

The Stockley Gardens Arts Festival poster this year will feature a drawing created for the festival by Dorothy Clark. Dorothy Clark is a local artist associated with Very Special Arts Virginia/Virginia Beach, an educational affiliate of

Li-Hsiung Ju, a retired professor at Washington and Lee University as well as the current director/owner of the Art Farm Gallery and School in Lexington. He has judged many oriental painting shows as well as lectured throughout the U.S.

Xiao Li Cai is a professor of art at Hanzhou University in Hanzhou, China. She has painted many murals that adorn government buildings and is included in many important international private collections. For the past two years she has been a visiting professor and lecturer at the University of Missouri at Columbia.

Artists at Work Gallery and Studios is open Tuesday through Saturdays from 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. and is located at 24th Street and Pacific Avenue.

The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts which coordinates arts programs for people with physical and mental disabilities.

Specialty food items will be for sale over the weekend. The vendors include Angela's Festival Foods, Beach Smokehouse, Bienville Grill, Ron Appeti Bakery, El Cacho Mexican Restaurant, European Foods, Mr. Potatoe, My Dad's, American, Saratoga Smoothies, Smokey's and Tasty Crepes.

Local musical talent will be featured throughout both days, and will include well-known favorites such as Lori Shapiro, Herringbones, Lewis McGeehe, Blind Venetians, Steve Bennett and Jimmy Masters, Stick Figures, and Marty Jones and the Tent Top Boys.

## "Cultural Dig" planned for youngsters

Young Audiences of Virginia (YAV) will present the free children's program "A Cultural Dig in Colonial America" Thursday, Oct. 6 at 7:15 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Central Library.

Beaux Art the Pirate and Maria the Dancer will go back in time to colonial America, where the roots of American culture are just beginning.

This educationally-enlightening journey will present children with colorful costumes and a tuneful look at the blending of dances and songs from the many immigrants who settled in this country.

YAV is a chapter of the nation's leading non-profit, arts-in-education organization, providing close to 1,000 music, theater and dance programs each year to the young people of Virginia.

The program is being sponsored by Harriet Dickman, director of Learn Well Inc.



Courtesy Photo

## Virginia Stage Company brings "Dirt" to local theater enthusiasts

Virginia Stage Company's commitment to the development of new plays will be showcased with its 1994-95 season opener, "Dirt," a play by Bruce Gooch.

"Dirt" is a poignant drama — the story of a farmer facing the challenges of old age and the estranged son who returns home to care for him. The universal struggle of fathers and sons attempting to find common ground is at the heart of this play. Ralph Waite, known on the world over as the beloved father on the long-running television series, "The Waltons," plays Sonny Hardman, an aging father who must plow through the past and the present with his son Zak as they learn to come to terms with one another.

The play opens with Sonny calling home the cows; however he's forgotten that he sold his herd some time ago. His son, Zak, unexpectedly arrives, years after having abandoned farm life to serve in Vietnam. Zak finds his father lonely, depressed and in poor health. Sonny is bitter about his wife's recent death and his general confusion, he sometimes can't remember names or even what season it is.

A transformation takes place in Zak as he struggles to care for his father; the two men reverse their customary roles as Sonny's condition deteriorates. Sonny increasingly loses touch with reality, and Zak takes on the responsibility for his father and the farm.

As the two work to resurrect their relationship and bring in what may be their final harvest, they find common ground — in the land and tradition.

Told with humor and passion, "Dirt" is about the power of love and the power of place. It will be in performance Oct. 9 through Oct. 29 at the historic Wells Theatre. Following its run at the Wells, the Virginia State Company will take the show on the road for a three-week run at Baltimore's Mechanic Theatre.

Virginia Stage Company's School Performance Series enables school groups to attend special morning performances for \$6.50 per ticket. Each school performance ticket includes a study guide (mailed to teachers prior to their trip to

VSC), and a post-performance discussion with the cast. The school performance for "Dirt" will be held Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 10 a.m. and is recommended for ages 16 and older. Tickets for the School Performance may be secured through VSC's education coordinator at 627-6988, ext. 327.

The popular Discussion Sunday is held after the first Sunday matinee of each play, offering audience members (and the general public) the opportunity to meet and talk with the theatre's professional artists. The discussion for "Dirt" will take place immediately following the 2 p.m. performance Sunday, Oct. 9, in the Wells Theatre, and is offered free to the public. Discussion Sundays are not restricted to those audience members who attend the Sunday matinee performance; anyone may attend.

To make VSC productions accessible to all members of the Hampton Roads community, the theatre will continue its popular "Pay-What-You-Can" dress-rehearsal performances, where audience members set their own ticket prices. The "Dirt" "Pay-What-You-Can" performance will be Sunday, Oct. 9 at 7 p.m. The theatre's suggested donation is \$6 per ticket, with a maximum of four tickets per person. A minimum donation of \$12 (two ticket minimum) applies to telephone orders. Only 500 seats are available and seating is general admission.

For the hearing-impaired, one sign-language interpreter performance of "Dirt" will be held Saturday, Oct. 15 at 8 p.m. Seating near the interpreter is available upon request.

Weekday matinee for selected productions; "Dirt" is Thursday, Oct. 20.

Single tickets for "Dirt," priced from \$10 to \$30, are now on sale at Virginia Stage Company's Box Office, in the lobby of The Wells Theatre, located at the corner of Monticello Avenue and Tazewell Street in Downtown Norfolk. Tickets may also be charged by calling 627-1234. Student, senior and military discounts are available. Group rates are available for groups of 10 or more.

## Two one-act productions planned at "The Studio"

Audiences will enjoy an intimate theatrical experience in Virginia Wesleyan College's "The Studio" (Room 6, Fine Arts Building) with the presentation of two provocative one-act plays, "Trifles" by Susan Glaspell and "FM" by Romulus Linney.

Performances are at 8 p.m., Oct. 6-8 and 2 p.m., Oct. 8-9. The plays are directed by Bentley Anderson, associate professor of theater/communications. Jerald D. Pope is serving as production coordinator. Admission is \$5 at the door, and reservations are requested. Call the college at 455-3200 for more information.

Glaspell, a writer during America's pre-suffrage era, subtly explores domestic violence from feminist perspective in "Trifles." The play's absent protagonist, Minnie Wright, is symbolic of all women trapped in loveless marriages and her plight unites the play's other female characters against the stereotypically unsympathetic male figures. Glaspell, who was a reporter and published novelist before she turned her attention to the stage, won the Pulitzer

Prize in 1930 for her drama "Allison's Room," a work loosely based on the family of Emily Dickinson.

Oble Award-winning Linney, professor of the Arts at Columbia University and Adjunct Professor of Pennsylvania, wrote "FM" on the campus of a small southern college. The strong-willed personalities of the play's four characters are challenged and transformed through a creative writing class taught by professor Constance Lindell.

## Elizabeth River Artists exhibit

An exhibit of paintings by five members of the Elizabeth River Artists are on display at the second floor gallery of Mayview Medical Center through Oct. 26.

Exhibiting artists are: Pat Britt, Portsmouth; Susan Cross, Chesapeake; Mary Earmhardt, Chesapeake; Jackie Eure, Portsmouth; and, Naomi Sawyer, Portsmouth.

## Sing out, sister!

The Virginia Coast Chorus of Sweet Adelines International will present the stage production "World Series of Harmony," a baseball experience for the whole family, Oct. 22 at the Pavilion Theater in Virginia Beach. Performances will be held at 3 and 8 p.m. Matinee ticket prices are \$6 with children under 12 admitted free. Evening performance ticket prices are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Guest performers include "Chicago Fire," the second place International Medallist Quartet from Chicago, Illinois, and "Commodore Chorus," from Norfolk. Advance tickets may be purchased from Virginia Coast voice mail by calling 340-7678 or the Virginia Beach Convention Center Box Office at 428-8000. Sweet Adelines International is an educational, non-profit organization for women.



Courtesy Photo

Mary Grace Gordon will star as Fiona, while William Broderick is Tommy Albright, in Commonwealth Musical Stage's production of "Brigadoon."

## "Brigadoon" announced as season's opener

The enchanting musical play "Brigadoon" will be the season opener for Commonwealth Musical Stage, now in its fourth year at the Pavilion Theatre in Virginia Beach.

"Brigadoon" was the first re-imagined Broadway success for the legendary team of Alan Jay Lerner and Frederick Loewe. When the show was first presented in 1947, it won the New York Drama Critics Circle Award and is the only musical in history to receive 100 percent of the critical opinion of New York.

The sparkling, joyous score has remained ever fresh and the prestige of the work has grown over the years. Brigadoon is today considered one of the great American classics. The score of "Brigadoon" features many memorable song hits, some of the most notable being "Almost Like Being In Love," "Come To Me," "Bend To Me," "The Heather On The Hill," "There But For You Go I" and "I'll Go Home With Bonnie Jean."

Blending words, music and dance, the show tells of the adventures of two vacationing Americans in the Scottish highlands who stumble into the picturesque village of Brigadoon on the day it comes to

life, only one day every century.

The cast of 40 is headed by William Broderick as Tommy Albright and Mary Grace Gordon as Fiona. Both have performed leading roles in theater throughout the country and together bring three decades of professional experience to this production.

Among the featured supporting cast are Marya Spring as Meg, David Frisinger as Jeff Douglas and Tobin Jones as Charlie Dalrymple.

The Virginia Beach Symphony Orchestra, under the baton of maestro David S. Kunkel, will play the original Broadway orchestrations. The production is directed and choreographed by Donald Brenner with costumes by Page McGrath and scenery by Ernest Schmidt.

Show dates are Fridays through Saturdays, Oct. 7 - 9 and Oct. 14 - 16. Times are Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$7.50 for students and \$15 to \$30 for adults and are available at branches of First Virginia Bank, Pavilion Box Office and calling 340-5446.

There is a special discount to military personnel and groups of 10 and more.

## French repertoire company brings production here

Le Neon Theatre, a Washington, D.C.-based French-American Theatre Company, will perform a French-language play based on Rabelais' "Gargantua" Saturday, Oct. 8 at 3 and 8 p.m. in the Blocker Science Auditorium at Virginia Wesleyan College.

The event is co-sponsored by the Alliance Francaise. Admission is \$5 for students and \$10 for adults; reservations are requested. Call the college at 455-3200 for more information.

Le Neon Theatre was founded by Didier Rousselet in 1987. For its first five years, the troupe staged performances primarily in the

French Embassy and initiated a "Theatre-in-the-Home" concept whereby original "who-dunnit" were performed in private homes.

Among the company's tenets are to create a multicultural French-American theater accessible to all audiences, to strive for original artistic creation through group reflection, corporal exercises and dramatic improvisations, and to explore in new ways the use of the physical space of the entire theater, placing the spectators in the heart of the action. The critically-acclaimed company is committed to challenging the minds and arousing the senses of audiences.

## Symphony plans "Halloween Party"

Back by popular demand, the Virginia Symphony begins its Family Series with a "Halloween Party" Saturday, Oct. 29 at 2 p.m. at the Harrison Opera House in Norfolk.

Associate conductor Andrews Still will conduct this "musical scare" for the entire family. Musorgsky's "Night on Bald Mountain," Dukas' "Sorcerer's Apprentice," Berlioz's "Witches' Round Dance" and "March to the Scaffold" from "Symphonie Fantastique" are among the selections that will be performed. Everyone is encouraged to come dressed as their favorite

ghost and is eligible to win a prize.

Other upcoming Family Series performances include "Holiday Wonderland" Dec. 17 and "Peter and the Wolf" Feb. 18, both at 2 p.m. in Chrysler Hall.

Cox Cable and Bravo present the Family Series.

Tickets for the concerts are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children, or \$25 for adults and \$17 for children for all three performances, and may be purchased by calling the Virginia Symphony Ticket Store, located in the Plaza One Building, 550 East Main Street, Suite 505, Norfolk, at 623-2310.





# Public's assistance sought by sex crime detectives

Virginia Beach Police sex crimes investigators are seeking assistance in gathering additional information in an ongoing investigation on an individual who recently exposed himself to a five year old girl.

Investigators are attempting to determine if additional incidents have occurred and gone unreported. Investigators recently arrested William M. Wyatt, 27, of the 300 block

## Crime Solvers

By Detective Michael G. Derwent, Virginia Beach Police Department

of 16th Street. Wyatt was arrested Wednesday, Sept. 14 at 3 p.m. and charged with one count of indecent liberties with a child. He recently posted bond and is awaiting trial.

Wyatt's charge stems from an incident that occurred on June 28 at 11:20 a.m. in the 1000 block of Essex Court located in the Bancroft Hall Apartments.

Wyatt allegedly confronted a 5-year-old female and offered her money to accompany him to a laundry room in the apartment complex. The victim agreed to do so and, upon entering the laundry room, Wyatt allegedly pulled his shorts down and exposed himself to the victim. The victim then ran from the laundry room



William M. Wyatt

and sought assistance in notifying police.

Investigators believe, because of this victim's age, additional incidents may have gone unreported to parents and police.

Anyone with additional information is encouraged to call Detective Gary Knowles of the department's Sex Crimes Unit at 427-4101.

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Virginia Beach police also need your help identifying a man responsible for the theft of money from drink machines.

Several thefts have been reported in Virginia Beach and other Hampton Roads cities during the past several months. Detectives now have photographs of a man using a stolen key to get into the machines.

Pictures were taken by a security camera as the man removed money from the machines. The man is black in his 20s, stands 5-feet-8-inches tall, and has a medium build, mustache and goatee.

If you think you know this man, call Crime Solvers at 427-0000.

# Searching for sanity in wacky September

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tests are as fluid as the James after frog-strangling torrents in the mountains.

"Howlin' Henry Howell, the liberal populist from Norfolk, was the progenitor of modern zinnism."

Now the guy who keeps the pot stirred more than anyone else is former Governor Douglas Wilder. He's in the presidential race. He's out. He might challenge Senator Chuck Robb in the Democratic primary. He doesn't.

He then enters a four-way race for senator as an independent, is widely acclaimed as the winner of the first debate after Labor Day—then drops out a week later.

Most people assumed his one burning desire was to defeat Robb, but by withdrawing he has helped...Robb.

The remaining independent, Marshall Coleman, also has been boosted by Wilder's exodus. Overnight he has become the only alternative to Robb and Republican Oliver North, both of whom are tainted by scandal. If Coleman should pull off a stunning upset, the first person he should thank is Doug Wilder.

Finally how about this certainty: That there will always be baseball?

Yes, Virginia, do not believe your little friends who tell you there will be no World Series for the first time in 90 years. It came, on a starlight night in mid-September, at The Diamond in Richmond, where the local

Triple-A team took the International League's Governor's Cup before 12,103 screaming, cheering, adoring fans. (And on a School Night!)

Red, white and blue bunting decorated the stands. ESPN was on hand. Jubilant fans performed the wave. Jose Oliva scratched a line-drive home run, and Brad Woodall, Terry Clark and Brad Clontz combined to shut out Syracuse's powerful Chiefs. It was an inspired performance worthy of the Fall Classic.

Now, if the Crown Prince of major league baseball—the (non) "acting" commissioner and the non-negotiating labor and management agents—succeed in destroying the national pastime as a big-city enterprise, a purer, sweeter version could rise in smaller cities like—hey, why not?—Richmond.

Yes, Virginia, baseball lives. And it will live forever—not just in Ken Burns' overwrought documentaries, but on the sandlots of America.

## Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE  
IN RE: DIANA LYNN SAUERBECK, Plaintiff vs.  
JOHN EVANS SAUERBECK, Defendant.

Case No. CH94-2559  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the entry of a Decree of Divorce a Vinculo Matrimonii on the ground of a separation of more than one year pursuant to §20-91(9), Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended; an award of custody of the minor children to Complainant; an award of child support & spousal support and an award of equitable distribution pursuant to §20-107.1, §20-107.3 & §20-101.3 of the Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, and an award for attorney's fees and court costs.

It is ORDERED that JOHN EVANS SAUERBECK appear and protect his interest, on or before November 14, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: September 20, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Rhonda V. Tynes, Deputy Clerk

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410-215

## Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE  
IN RE: Vera Suiter Beans, Plaintiff vs.  
Benjamin J. Alexander-Beans, Defendant.

Case No. 94-2775  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for the said plaintiff to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii from the said defendant on the grounds of having lived separate and apart in excess of one year.

It is ORDERED that Benjamin J. Alexander-Beans appear and protect his interest, on or before October 31, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: September 6, 1994  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Tammy Mening, Deputy Clerk

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## Public Notice

Take notice, that on 10/3/94, at 10:00 A.M., at the premises of 4747 Shore Drive, Virginia Beach, Va., the undersigned will sell at public auction, for cash, reserving unto itself, the right to bid, the following vehicle:

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## Public Notice

VIRGINIA: IN THE VIRGINIA BEACH CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

IN RE: The adoption of Katie Lee Stevens by Steven K. Bottom  
Case No. CA94-174  
ORDER OF PUBLICATION  
The object of this suit is for Steven K. Bottom to adopt Katie

Lee Stevens.

It is ORDERED that Daniel M. Stevens appear and protect his interest, on or before November 3, 1994, which date is no sooner than fifty days after entry of this order of publication.

And it is further ORDERED that this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in The Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in this City prescribed by this court.

Date: 9/12/94  
J. CURTIS FRUIT, CLERK  
By Rhonda V. Tynes, Deputy Clerk

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## Public Notice

The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, October 12, 1994 at 12:00 Noon in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Court-house, Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room, City Hall Building. PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE, AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:

1. Appeal from Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John Clardy, M.D. Property is located at 3424 Litchfield Road. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

2. An Ordinance upon Application of J. Ray Potter, Gordon B. Potter & Deans S. Potter, Jr., /a Potter Properties, a Virginia General Partnership for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-15 Residential District to O-2 Office District on certain property located at the southwest corner of First Colonial Road and Wildwood Drive. The proposed zoning classification change to O-2 is for office land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for low density residential at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 9.682 acres. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

3. An Ordinance upon Application of BECO Construction, Inc., for a Change of Zoning District Classification from B-2 Community Business District to R-7.5 Residential District at the southeast corner of Shore Drive & Bayberry Street on Lots 58, 59, 108 and 109, Cape Story by The Sea, Section 1. The proposed zoning classification change to R-7.5 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 7,500 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for low density residential at densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 29.900 square feet. LYNNHAVEN BOROUGH.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Sea Escape Corporation for a Conditional Change of Zoning District Classification from RT-1 Resort Tourist District to RT-2 Resort Tourist District on certain property located on the northeast and southeast corners of the Atlantic Avenue and 17th Street intersections. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional RT-2 is for a free-standing eating and drinking establishment. The

Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for a resort activity center. Said parcel contains 30,000 square feet more or less. VIRGINIA BEACH BOROUGH.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Handhold Associates, a Virginia General Partnership, for a Change of Zoning District Classification from A-12 Apartment District to R-10 Residential District on certain property located at the southeast corner of Ferrell Parkway and Atwooddown Road. The proposed zoning classification change to R-10 is for single family residential land use on lots no less than 10,000 square feet. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for single family residential at densities that are compatible with single family in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 5.61 acres. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: 6. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Beach Church of Christ for a Conditional Use Permit for a church on the southeast corner of Holland Road and Stoneshore Road. Said parcel is located at 3420 Holland Road, Room #111, and contains 1150 square feet. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Daugherty-Lee Inc., T/A Affordable Tent Co., for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle rentals (trucks) at the southwest corner of 21st Street and Cypress Avenue. Said parcel is located at 700 21st Street and contains 20,224 square feet. VIRGINIA BEACH BOROUGH.

8. An Ordinance upon Application of B.M. Stanton, Jr., for a Conditional Use Permit for a car wash on the southwest side of Indian River Road, 300 feet more or less southeast of Kempville Road. Said parcel is located at 5217 Indian River Road and contains 33,802.56 square feet. KEMPSVILLE BOROUGH.

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Cellular Ltd. Partnership for a Conditional Use Permit for a communication tower on certain property located at the southeast intersection of Atlantic Avenue and 57th Street. Said parcel contains 3.2 acres. VIRGINIA BEACH BOROUGH.

AMENDMENT:

10. Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain Section 701 of the City Zoning Ordinance pertaining to use regulations for communication towers in the H-1 Hotel District.

11. Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend and reordain the Comprehensive Plan pertaining to land use policies to comply with the Chesapeake Bay Preservation Act.

DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 9/14/94:

12. Appeal from Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for John W. & Ellen M. Blumming. Property is located at 2276 Greenwell Road. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

13. An Ordinance upon Application of The Southland Corporation for a Conditional Use Permit for an automotive service station in conjunction with a convenience store at the northwest corner of Independence Boulevard and Edwin Drive. Said parcel is located at 496 Independence Boulevard and contains 1.061 acres. KEMPSVILLE BOROUGH.

14. An Ordinance upon Application of Virginia Cellular Limited Partnership, Contel Cellular, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a 150-foot communications tower on certain property located 850 feet more or less west of General Booth Boulevard beginning at a point 925 feet north of Dam Neck Road. Said parcel contains 5.49 acres. PRINCESS ANNE BOROUGH.

15. Application of Gary V. & Wilma M. House for a change of conditions placed on the application for an open space promotion option and subdivision variances for Old Dominion Farm Partnership on June 1, 1987. Property is located at 4136 Cheswick Lane. BAYSIDE BOROUGH.

All interested persons are invited to attend.  
Robert J. Scott  
Planning Director  
If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the City Clerk's Office at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call: TDD only at 427-4305. (TDD - Telephone Device for the Deaf).

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## Back to classes

Dr. Howell W. Todd, president of Mississippi College, was the host of a reception to welcome freshmen and transfer students to campus for the start of the 169th academic session. Members of the Student Government Association and other college personnel were also on hand to welcome the new students. Pictured with Todd at Hendrick House, home of the president, from left, are: Prentiss Morris of Jackson, Miss.; Greg Young of Vicksburg, Miss.; Dani Skiffer of Braxton, Miss; and, Jeffrey Weis of Virginia Beach.

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## CLUB NOTES

The Linkhorn Park Garden Club will meet Friday, Oct. 7 at 11 a.m. at the Princess Anne Country Club for an organizational meeting and lecture on interclub judging. Members are asked to bring arrangements with the theme "Color of Autumn" and any fall-blooming specimen for horticulture.

The club recently entertained at a pool party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bratten.

The 11th annual bridge party was held at the Princess Anne Country Club. Proceeds from the event will be used for the beautification of the community. Awards to club members were presented at the party. Arrangements and horticulture awards were won by Dorcas Bell and Jewel Davis. Marathon bridge prizes went to Martha Tankersley, Virginia Meredith and Margaret Camp.

The 1994-1995 bridge marathon will begin in October and continue through May 1995.

Adam Thoroughgood Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution sponsored the naturalization of 100 new citizens Sept. 14 at the Walter E. Hoffman courthouse in Norfolk. Judge Robert G. Doumar presided over the proceedings. Dr. R. Fenton Wicker was the guest speaker.

There were more than 25 countries represented among the new citizens. Through the arrangements made by chapter member Mrs. Lucius Steere, The Norfolk registrar's office

for voter registration was present. Immediately following ceremony, 39 of these new citizens registered to vote in the November election.

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The next meeting of the Tidewater Music Teachers Forum will be Tuesday, Oct. 18 at 10 a.m. at the First Baptist Church, 312 Kempsville Rd.

The program will be a recital by the Eastern District first place winners and alternates, as well as any local VMTA CPP/Belwin Composition Winners.

For further information, call 424-4277.

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The Retired Officers Wives Society of Tidewater will hold its October Luncheon and Fashion Show Thursday, Oct. 13 at the Holiday Inn Executive Center on Greenwich Road in Virginia Beach. The social hour will begin at 11:30 a.m. with luncheon served at 12:15.

The cost is \$12 per person with reservations to be made by check to Janet McCue, 590 Tenbee Lane, Virginia Beach, VA 23451. Due to possible postal delay, mail early.

Fashions will be presented by Lill Robinson and the music by Al Runalde, sitting in for Eric Stevens.

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The Lynnham Parish Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) will meet Saturday, Oct. 8 at 10 a.m. at the historic Francis Land House, 3131 Virginia Beach Blvd.

The program will be devoted to

DAR-sponsored schools with special focus on the Cranston School. A video will be shown.

Members and guests planning to attend should contact either Mrs. Carroll S. Page or Mrs. William F. Vose, hostesses.

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The Elizabeth River Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association will hold a dinner meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12 at the Diamond Restaurant, 135 Kempsville Rd. in Norfolk.

The speaker from "Citizens Against Crime" will address self defense. Dinner is \$12.

Call Donna Cherry at 436-5028 for information and reservations.

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The Children's Rights Council of Tidewater (CRC) is an advocacy group for children of divorced, separated and unwed parents and will meet this Monday at 7:30 p.m. for new member orientation at Virginia Wesleyan College's Monumental Chapel.

The guest speaker will be Annet Miller, who will address "Role of Guardian Ad Litem."

For more information, call 463-KIDS.

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Tidewater Community College will host Girl Scout Expo 94 on Saturday, Oct. 8 from 1-4 p.m. on the Portsmouth campus.

Admission is \$3 per person, with children 4 and under admitted free.

Hands-on exhibits by local museums, sports, demonstrations, carnival games, moon walks, concessions and entertainment by "Marmalade" of Young Audiences of Virginia and Trinidad's Authentic Steel Orchestra will be offered.

For more information, call 486-9737.

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The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Kempsville Chapter 4212 will meet Wednesday, Oct. 12 from 10 a.m. - noon at the Kempsville Recreation Center located at 800 Monmouth Ln.

The program will be "Reading and Understanding the New Food Labels."

Free blood pressure tests will be available from 9:30 - 10 a.m.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Gourmet gala set

The Norfolk Waterside Convention Center, the Marriott Hotel and the Tidewater Chef's Association will join with the Friends of St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to sponsor the Third Annual Gourmet Gala from 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 12 at the Marriott Hotel.

Joe Flanagan of WVEC-TV will emcee the event, which will feature gourmet food from 40 area restaurants and food vendors, dancing and live entertainment. Tickets for the event are \$30 per person.

All proceeds from the evening will go to fund the continuing research at St. Jude for cures and treatment of cancer and other catastrophic diseases that strike thousands of children daily. The protocol or cures are shared with hospitals and doctors all over the world.

Among the many participating restaurants will be: Bamboo Hut; Il Porto; Greengrocer Catering; Lynhaven Fish House; Spirit of Norfolk; Toque's Catering; Antiquities; Aldo's; Bienville Grill; 501 City Grill; Omni's Riverwalk; Tradewinds; Positive Vibes; Founders Inn-Swan Terrace; Bistrol; Le Chambord; The Monastery; My Dad's Delight; Gus' Fish House; Harbour Club; Croakers' Kate's Catering; Ruby and Co. Catering; Tabouli; and, Taki's Gyro.

Also on hand will be: Nesson Meats and Chef Frank Farello; Balta Pasta; All Star Bar and Grill; Lake Wright's Main

Course; Mary's Restaurant; Norfolk Waterside Marriott; Ship's Cabin; Adante Cafe & Gourmet Market; The Raven; Blue Point Bar and Grill; Town Point Club; Piranha, An Eating Frenzy; Johnson and Wales

University; Charlie's Seafood Restaurant; Coca-Cola; Bella Monte; Tandon's Pine Tree Inn; First Colony Coffee; Pasta Grande; The Banquet, and Nawab Indian Cuisine.

Music will be provided by Dreams, playing a mix of Top 40, jazz fusion and oldies, and Two Can Jam. Featuring Joe Maniscalco and Doc Hearl, and Regina Marscheder's Spectrum Puppets will also entertain. Muppet John Fareed will perform as well.

Tickets may be purchased by mailing a check payable to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital to P.O. Box 11085, Norfolk, VA 23517.

Tickets are also available at several locations: in Norfolk at the Decker Building, 201 East Plume St., in the Selden Arcade at Richard's Florist and Gourmet shop, 212 East Plume St., at the offices of the Yellow Cab Co., 1090 West 35th St., and at the gift shop of the Marriott Hotel, 235 East Main St.; in Virginia Beach at the law office of Richard Beach, 3330 Pacific Ave., and at Aldo's Ristorante, 1860 Laskin Rd.

For more information, call 456-1993 and leave a message. All calls will be answered the day they are received.

### Annual quilt show planned

The Tidewater Quilters Guild will present its 15th Annual Quilt Show and Sale at the Virginia Beach Center for the Arts Friday through Sunday, Oct. 7-9.

Hours are from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday, from 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Saturday and from noon - 6 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$4 with children 12 and under free. Nearly 100 quilts and related items will be exhibited. The theme is "Quilt Art - An American Tradition."

The show will feature Guest Artist Kay Wood, a nationally-recognized teacher whose "Strip Quilting" show appears regularly on PBS. She will be at the quilt show Friday, Oct. 7 and will also present a special seminar that night from 7 - 9 p.m. in the auditorium of the Center for the Arts. There is an additional charge of \$10 for the seminar and tickets will be available at the show.

"Ye Olde Quilt Shoppe" will offer wall hangings and quilts for sale. Raffle tickets for the "Bears Paw" quilt made by guild members will be available. A merchant mall featuring local and out-of-state vendors will have quilting supplies, fabric and books for sale and demonstrations throughout the show.

Tidewater Quilters Guild is a non-profit group with more than 300 members from Tidewater, North Carolina and the Peninsula.

### Catholic High Homecoming

The Catholic High School Crusaders will host Homecoming '94-'95 on Saturday, Oct. 15 with Catholic versus Hampton Roads Academy at 2 p.m.

The Alumni Association is sponsoring a picnic contest around the field. Prizes will be awarded for the most School-Spirited Picnic and the Most Creative Picnic.

### First Colonial Baptist celebrates

First Colonial Baptist Church will hold its homecoming Oct. 9 beginning at 11 a.m. The church is located at 929 First Colonial Road.

The theme will be "Family Reunion." The worship service will

be followed by a covered dish dinner and then a special music program with The Londonaires."

For more information, call the church at 428-3700.

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